

MICHELE J. FEINSTEIN SELECTED FOR INCLUSION IN *THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA*® 2016

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. – Local law firm, [Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.](#), serving Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, today announced Shareholder Michele J. Feinstein was recently selected by her peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2016 in the fields of Elder Law and Trusts and Estates.

Since it was first published in 1983, *Best Lawyers*® has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive peer-review survey. Over 79,000 leading attorneys are eligible to vote and more than 6.2 million votes have been received to date on the legal abilities of lawyers in their practice areas. Lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed; therefore inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is considered a singular honor. Corporate Counsel magazine has called *Best Lawyers* “the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice.”

Attorney Michele J. Feinstein, a shareholder at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C., and lifelong resident of Longmeadow, concentrates her practice in the areas of estate planning and administration, elder law, probate litigation, health law, corporate and business planning, including all aspects of planning for the succession of business interests, representation of closely held business and their owners, and representation of physicians in their individual and group practices. She is a cum laude graduate of the Western New England University School of Law where she was a member of the Law Review (1984) and Boston University, where she first earned her Bachelor of Science summa cum laude (1981) and later a Master of Laws in taxation (1990). She was named a Top Women of Law by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* (2014) – the only attorney in the western Massachusetts region to be so honored that year.

Attorney Feinstein maintains active memberships in the Hampden County and Massachusetts Bar Associations, American Health Lawyers Association and National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. She serves on numerous professional advisory committees, including: the Investment Committee of the Jewish Endowment Foundation of the Jewish Federation of Greater Springfield; and Western New England University.

Additionally, she is a valuable community resource for legal expertise and regularly lectures throughout the Pioneer Valley for organizations including the Massachusetts Bar Association, Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, and numerous other civic and professional associations on business, health law and estate planning topics. She also is a Senior Adjunct Professor of Law at Western New England University, where she teaches in the postdoctoral Estate Planning and Elder Law LLM program.

About Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.

Established in 1969, Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C. specializes in business law, estate planning, commercial and tax-exempt bond financing, real estate law, litigation and bankruptcy. The firm’s clients range from closely-held family enterprises to multinational companies with operations in western New England and eastern New York State. The attorneys at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin provide efficient, cost-effective counseling and advocacy services which frequently involve the use of innovative techniques. The firm, which consists of 13 attorneys, has offices in Springfield and Northampton, Mass., and Albany, N.Y. Additional information about Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin can be found on its website, sfpc.com.

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