

ATTORNEY CAROL CIOE KLYMAN SELECTED TO SUPER LAWYERS 2014 TOP 50 WOMEN ATTORNEYS IN MASSACHUSETTS LIST

Prestigious publication honors professional achievement by distinguished female leaders of the law

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. – Carol Cioe Klyman, a shareholder of <u>Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.</u>, has been selected to the <u>Super Lawyers Top 50 Women Attorneys in Massachusetts list</u>, which recognizes women attorneys who ranked at the top in the latest Super Lawyers selection process. A Westhampton resident, Attorney Klyman practices in the areas of elder law, estate planning, special needs planning, estate settlement, guardianships, trust and estates litigation, and MassHealth appeals.

Attorney Klyman has been selected to the Super Lawyers and Top Women Attorneys lists since 2005, and the Best Lawyers® in America list since 2006. Among her professional affiliations, she is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estates Council and an editorial board member of the *NAELA Journal*, the law journal of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. She has written on tax issues for the premier elder law treatise, "Estate Planning for the Aging and Incapacitated Client in Massachusetts" since 1996 and in 2014 co-edited the "Massachusetts Elder Law Citator," a resource for lawyers. In the community, she serves as treasurer and board member of the Hilltown Land Trust.

Attorney Klyman lectures locally and nationally to professional and civic groups. She taught as an adjunct professor of elder law in the Western New England University School of Law master of laws degree program. She graduated magna cum laude from Western New England University School of Law and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism from the University of Rhode Island. Between college and law school she worked for 20 years as a newspaper reporter and editor.

<u>Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.</u>, is a regional law firm serving clients in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York from offices in Springfield and Northampton, Mass., and Albany, N.Y.

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas. The selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. The list is published in *Super Lawyers Magazine*, which is distributed to attorneys in the state or region and ABA-accredited law school libraries. Super Lawyers is also published as a special section in the April 2015 edition of *Boston Magazine*.

"Beginning your search for legal counsel is no small feat; knowing where to start, researching attorneys and finally selecting one you feel comfortable with can be overwhelming tasks," said Super Lawyers Director of Research, Julie Gleason. "All of the women lawyers in this special section have been named to a 2014 Massachusetts Super Lawyers or Rising Stars list. In creating our lists, Super Lawyers performs the type of due diligence that a highly motivated and informed consumer would undertake if he or she had the time, energy and resources – the very things that are in short supply in most people's lives."