

## IN BRIEF

**Michael Cardello III**, a Partner in the law firm of Moritt Hock & Hamroff LLP, who concentrates his practice in all areas of business and commercial litigation, was recently elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the Nassau County Bar Association for a three year term.

Barket Epstein Kearon Aldea & LoTurco, LLP, a boutique criminal defense and civil rights firm with offices in New York City and on Long Island, announced that **Donna Aldea**, the partner heading its appellate and post-conviction litigation group, will be featured in the fourth episode of the latest Netflix true crime original series, "Exhibit A," an exploration into the American criminal justice system through the uncertainties of forensic science as a result of the case Ms. Aldea won on appeal by challenging the validity of the prosecution's DNA evidence.

**Elizabeth Forspan** is thrilled to announce the formation of Forspan Klear LLP, which is based in Great Neck and focuses on Elder Law, Trusts & Estates, and Health Care Law. Ms. Forspan also recently lectured at the AICPA Engage conference in Las Vegas where she sat on an Estate Tax Planning panel and gave a lecture on "Planning for the Sandwich Generation."

**Karen Tenenbaum** of Tenenbaum Law was the moderator at the NYU Tax Controversy Forum on the topic of NYS Residency Audits. Ms. Tenenbaum, **Leo Gabovich** and **Hana Boruchov** presented at the NYSSEA, Metro Chapter on IRS Audits and Tax Collection. Ms. Tenenbaum was published in *Upserve*,

"Didn't Pay Your New York State Sales Tax? 8 Consequences Restaurant Owners Need to Know" and was featured on a podcast for Heller Wealth Management.

**Ronald Fatoullah** of Ronald Fatoullah & Associates presented "Learn How to Protect Your Assets," a complimentary and educational seminar for seniors who are planning and preparing for possible long-term care needs hosted by the New York Public Library in Manhattan. In addition, the firm participated in the Parker Jewish Institute's Healthcare Expo in New Hyde Park for Social Workers and Case Managers. Mr. Fatoullah also presented "Planning for Later Life—Be Prepared," sponsored by New York State Senator Liz Krueger's community outreach program and provided an overview of important advance directives and how to ensure eligibility for Medicaid to over 100 seniors attending the event. **Debby Rosenfeld**, a senior attorney with the firm, presented "Estate Planning and Long-term Care" for the Association of Retired Police in Mineola.

**Mark E. Alter**, Senior Partner in the Law Offices of Mark E. Alter, with offices in Garden City and Massapequa, is pleased to announce that Erica L. Alter has joined the firm as an associate attorney. Ms. Alter will concentrate in the areas of criminal, personal injury and matrimonial law and will practice out of the firm's Massapequa office.



**Marian C. Rice**

At its June 27, 2019 Annual Meeting, the Nassau County Village Officials Association, which represents 64 incorporated villages with more than 450,000 residents, elected **Edward Lieberman**, mayor of the Village of Sea Cliff, president for 2019-2020.

Assistant District Attorney, **René P. Fiechter**, Director of Community Affairs for Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas, was the recipient of the Community Leadership Award of Valor presented by H.E.V.N. Help End Violence at its 20th anniversary celebration for being one of the originators of the anti-gang organization. Fiechter was also presented with the Drug Free Hero Award by the Foundation for a Drug Free World at their Gala for work as a "community leader making the biggest difference in the New York Area," and the Ann Irvin Award presented at Domus by the Nassau County Coalition of Youth Agencies annual legislative breakfast for a lifetime of work and dedication to the county's youth.

**Richard P. Cronin** and **Erin A. O'Brien** have joined Certilman Balin Adler & Hyman, LLP as Partners in the Tax Certiorari and Condemnation Law Practice Group. They were both formerly partners at the firm, Cronin, Cronin, Harris & O'Brien, P.C., located in Mineola.

Feather Law Firm, P.C. is pleased to announce that **David S. Feather** was on the faculty of the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution's

12th Annual Arbitration Training Institute, which was held in Philadelphia on May 16 and 17, 2019. Mr. Feather led a panel discussion on employment law arbitrations.

**The Nassau Lawyer welcomes submissions to the IN BRIEF column announcing news, events and recent accomplishments of its current members. Due to space limitations, submissions may be edited for length and content.**

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