

## Riegel of Rosenberg appointed to Alumni Board of Brooklyn Law School

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According to Rosenberg & Estis, P.C., Deborah Riegel, member, was appointed as a member of the Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association board of directors. She was also appointed as an adjunct professor of law at the school and will teach a graduate-level course on landlord-tenant litigation. This is the first time Brooklyn Law School has incorporated a litigation course into its real estate certificate program.

Riegel primarily focuses her practice at Rosenberg & Estis on litigation but is also highly skilled in development issues, such as assemblage, and has successfully vacated a number of retail development sites in Manhattan. She also works with clients on cooperative and condominium conversions, including negotiations with tenants in the context of such conversions, purchase and sale agreements, leasing and construction management.

"Deborah Riegel is one of Rosenberg & Estis' most experienced trial lawyers," said Luise A. Barrack, managing member of Rosenberg & Estis. "Her integrated approach to managing clients' legal needs has been a tremendous asset to the firm. Deborah was the ideal person to teach Brooklyn Law School's first course focusing on real estate litigation."

Riegel was invited to join the Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association Board of Directors by Nicholas Allard, Joseph Crea Dean at the law school. As a member of the board, she will work closely with and advise the administration on various initiatives designed to engage alumni with Brooklyn Law School and to promote the school within the legal community. Riegel will also provide advice and insight on relevant industry trends that help inform the curriculum.

Her graduate-level course at Brooklyn Law School will focus on the statutory and historical development of landlord-tenant case law and the application to landlord-tenant litigation. The course, titled "Landlord-Tenant Litigation," will also address recent changes in the law, and their impact on the practice of landlord-tenant litigation.

Riegel joined Rosenberg & Estis in 1994 and became a member in 2000. She has represented clients in courts ranging from the Civil Court of the City of New York to the New York State Court of Appeals, as well as the United States District Court, United States Bankruptcy Court and the United States Court of Appeals.

She has litigated or arbitrated matters involving cooperative shareholder disputes, rent regulatory issues, J-51 and Section 8, succession and non-primary residence, commercial lease disputes, tort and contract actions, and construction disputes. Riegel also provides counsel to cooperatives and

condominiums on a wide range of matters.

Riegel received a bachelor's degree from Queens College of the City University of New York and her juris doctorate from Brooklyn Law School. Prior to obtaining her J.D., she was a Legislative Aide in the New York State Assembly.

Riegel is a member of the Bar of the State of New York and is admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Southern, Eastern and Northern Districts of New York, and the United States Supreme Court. She is a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and previously served on its Committee on Cooperative and Condominium Law as well as its Housing Court Committee.

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