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Uniondale, NY Thirteen partners from Forchelli Deegan Terrana, LLP have been chosen by their peers as New York Super Lawyers.

The firm has a reputation for representing clients in real estate, land use and zoning, tax, trusts and estates, tax certiorari, corporate and commercial law, and litigation matters. Formed in 1976, the firm's areas of expertise have expanded to include banking, bankruptcy, employment and labor, environmental, entertainment, sports law, construction law and more.

The attorneys listed in this year's edition are:

- Jeffrey Forchelli, the founder and managing partner of the firm, has extensive experience on complex real estate and land use matters, including litigation and tax certiorari for major real estate developers and national corporations. He was included in the most recent edition of The Best Lawyers in America.
- Daniel Deegan heads up the firm's Industrial Development Agency (IDA), Municipal Incentives and Government Relations practices, with particular emphasis on facilitating and implementing responsible real estate development projects. He specializes in Real Estate Development Law, Zoning Law, Municipal Incentives/IDA Law, and Government Relations/Municipal Law.
- John errana, head of the firm's tax certiorari department, has obtained millions of dollars in real estate tax refunds and savings for clients, including national and regional owners and tenants of all types of commercial and residential property.
- Joseph Asselta is co-head of the Firm's Construction Law Department. Mr. Asselta represents clients in all segments of the construction industry including owners, developers, financial institutions, design professionals, general contractors, construction managers, government contractors, trade contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, equipment rental companies, insurers and sureties (on both public and private projects).
- Frank Brennan concentrates his practice in the areas of construction law, commercial litigation and labor and employment law. Mr. Brennan represents clients in all segments of the construction industry, including contractors, construction managers, owners, developers, suppliers and equipment rental companies (on both public and private projects).

- William Bonesso has wide-ranging experience in the areas of land use and zoning, real estate, and municipal law. A frequent lecturer at Continuing Legal Education seminars, Mr. Bonesso concentrates his practice in providing land use and development counsel, preparing and presenting zoning and planning applications, and the representation of clients in related litigation.
- Andrew Curto concentrates his practice in complicated commercial and employment litigation as well as in all facets of business conflict and problem solving. He routinely litigates claims in both federal and state courts in a wide variety of commercial claims, such as corporate dissolution and derivative actions for large multimillion dollar corporations and small closely held corporations as well as limited liability companies.
- Gregory Lisi is Head of the Firm's Employment and Labor Department concentrating in the areas of labor and employment law, sexual harassment and discrimination law, overtime and wage law, immigration and naturalization law, corporate law, commercial transaction law and real estate law. He has represented Plaintiffs, Defendants, publicly traded and private companies, the United States Government and New York State government entities.
- Gerard Luckman is a partner in the Firm's bankruptcy and corporate restructuring department. He represents various types of clients in financial workout or chapter 11 bankruptcy cases, including clients involved in distressed debt transactions, asset acquisitions, and asset sales outside of bankruptcy; as well as debtors, creditors' committees, equity holders, landlords, and secured and unsecured creditors in chapter 11 proceedings.
- Judy Simoncic concentrates her practice in the areas of zoning, land use, environmental, municipal, and real estate law. She represents national franchises, Fortune 500 companies, national corporations, large real estate development companies as well as individual real estate developers in the development of both residential and commercial properties throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties.
- Peter Skelos directs the Firm's Appellate Practice Group and is a member of the Litigation Department. Skelos was an editor of the two-volume practice guide, *Civil Trials in New York* (West Group) and authored Chapter 7 – Evolution of the Labor Law: A View from the Bench, *Construction Site Personal Injury Litigation*, 2d ed. (New York State Bar Association Publications). He regularly serves as a panel member at continuing legal education programs. He served over 21 years in the New York state judiciary.
- Jeffrey Stark handles cases, both at trial and on appeal, involving dissolutions of business and professional corporations, actions for and against insurance companies, real property actions, zoning matters, personal injury matters, fire cases, public contract cases, physician malpractice actions, environmental cases, deed covenant cases, fraud actions, first amendment actions, litigated estate proceedings, title insurance proceedings, actions involving corporate governance, class actions, matrimonial actions, landlord tenant proceedings, and civil rights actions.

- Russell Tisman specializes in complex corporate, commercial, defense, employment, labor and Surrogate's Court litigation. Tisman also actively counsels management and human resource professionals on employment and labor matters. He represents public companies, privately held businesses, insurers, financial institutions and individuals in all types of business related disputes.

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