

2025 Ones To Watch - Industry Leaders: Christy Reuter, Blank Rome LLP

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Christy Reuter
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Recent goal and impact:

Christy Reuter is an outstanding candidate for the "Ones to Watch: Industry Leaders" award due to her remarkable achievements and extensive leadership within the hospitality sector. As the chair of the hospitality practice, she has dedicated her career to facilitating domestic and global hospitality transactions, significantly impacting the industry's landscape. Her expertise and negotiation skills have enabled hospitality companies to expand their reach both throughout the United States and across international borders, with successful deals in key markets across the globe.

Sharing knowledge and expertise:

Reuter is deeply engaged in thought leadership, sharing her expertise with fellow attorneys as well as industry stakeholders. She has spoken at many of Bisnow's hospitality events and conferences, and most recently appeared on the "Restaurant Influencers" podcast, where she discussed leadership and the importance of branding. Reuter has taught restaurant leasing on national continuing law education (CLE) platforms and for the NYC Bar Association.

Giving Back:

Reuter is not just a trailblazer in hospitality law; she is a mentor and role model for aspiring young attorneys, demonstrating the importance of resilience and innovation in the legal profession. Her substantial contributions to the industry and her commitment to empowering others make Reuter a deserving nominee for the Woman of Influence award. Recognizing her not only honors her individual achievements but also inspires future generations of women leaders in the legal and hospitality sectors. Reuter is on the board committee for Sprouts for its annual gala to bring young up-and-coming chefs with culinary masters.

Best advice for new leaders:

"Trademark your brand. If you don't protect your brand, someone else will."

Who was/is your role model and/or leadership mentor?

My grandmother, Henrietta Acampora, was the first female town supervisor of Brookhaven town, the largest in Suffolk county and one of the largest in NYS, and she was one of the first female political leaders of her time. She was a trailblazer and her sole mission was to help everyone around her, including her constituents, friends and family alike.

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