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AMY SOLOMON Partner

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She is a past president of the Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles, the largest local plaintiffs bar association in the nation. She has successfully tried over 45 jury and bench trials in both State and Federal courts, and obtained numerous seven and eight figure verdicts and settlements on behalf of her clients. She is on the Board of Directors for the Inner City Law Center, the Western Justice Center and the Consumer Attorneys of California.

In addition to her busy practice, she had volunteered her time as a mediator, arbitrator and an early neutral evaluator for the Los Angeles Superior Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution Panel, and now does so privately. Solomon is a Commissioner for the California State Bar serving on the Judicial Evaluation Nominee Committee.

SAMANTHA F. SPECTOR

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A pproaching two decades as a high-profile litigator, Samantha Spector has become a deeply respected and influential attorney in the Los Angeles family

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law community, and beyond. In family law, Spector has found the ideal outlet for her formidable skills given her selfless interest in helping people protect themselves, their assets and their custodial rights as they go through what is often the most difficult time in their lives. And nothing inspires her more than helping her clients find justice and empowerment through the legal system.

As one of the top family law attorneys in Southern California, Spector frequently handles high-asset marital dissolutions, legal separations, domestic partnerships legal issues, domestic violence restraining orders, parentage actions, complicated child custody and visitation matters, as well as cohabitation, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements. She has become known as one of the industry's fiercest litigators -- a reputation which has enabled her to successfully negotiate amicable resolutions on behalf of her clients against some of California's most powerful figures in finance, entertainment and sports.

JULIA B. STRICKLAND Partner

Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP



A sco-chair of Stroock's national Financial Services Litigation, Regulation and Enforcement Group managing 36 attorneys in

Los Angeles, New York, D.C. and Miami, Julia Strickland has built a strong reputation for being a leader in the representation of financial services companies having litigated all aspects of issues confronting the financial services industry, including lending and servicing, retail banking, unfair practices, insolvency, and federal and state regulatory compliance.

In addition to managing Stroock's Los Angeles office and sitting on the firm's executive committee, she has amassed a client list that includes the who's who of industry companies, such as American Express, CIT, Citigroup, Discover, JPMorgan Chase, HSBC, TransUnion, Synchrony, BMW Financial, USAA and PayPal. Last year, Strickland won summary judgment in favor of her clients BMW Bank of North America and BMW Financial Services NA, LLC, defeating a putative class action alleging over \$40 million in potential damages under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 227.

ELLIA THOMPSON Partner

Ervin Cohen & Jessup LLP



Lilia Thompson is a partner at Ervin Cohen & Jessup and serves on the firm's fivemember Executive Committee. She chairs the firm's Land Use practice.

Thompson advocates for the rights of property owners, business owners, and developers all across Southern California. She works with real estate developers to craft the best project possible in terms of design, functionality, and compatibility with the neighborhood, and works with all stakeholders including elected officials, local businesses, neighborhood groups, charity organizations, and neighbors to achieve project approval. She understands that a successful outcome is more than building a project, it is about building a solid, positive reputation in each of the communities she serves. In addition to her law practice, Ellia also volunteers for a number of non-profit and charitable organizations and has also been honored by Connect LA and the Junior Chamber of Commerce for her commitment to community service by providing pro bono land use legal services to the Downtown Women's Center and its homeless women.

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