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CRAIN'S 2020  NOTABLE WOMEN IN LAW

Crain's New York Business has named 100 New Yorkers to the list of 2020 Notable Women in Law, the third year we are honoring dedicated, gifted and determined female lawyers. Our city is full of trailblazing attorneys who are passionate about serving their clients and staying on top of their game. In a world full of injustices, they are fierce in their commitment to public service and pro bono causes. For these women, balance is an essential part of life: juggling distinguished careers, family, and philanthropic activities. The profiles in this report are drawn from submitted nomination materials as well as from *Crain's New York Business* editorial research. No lawyer paid to be featured. The 2020 list of Notable Women in Law celebrates an exceptional pool of talented female attorneys in the New York City metro area. Please join us in congratulating this year's outstanding class. — *Barbara Benson*

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Lisa Watts is a member of Latham & Watkins' Executive Committee and a driver of its diversity efforts, previously heading the firm's training committee and launching its Women's Leadership Academy. Watts advises clients on corporate and partnership taxation. A top transactional tax lawyer, she serves a client base of private equity firms, foreign and domestic public and private companies, REITs, partnerships, limited liability companies and investment banks. Watts helps clients navigate the tax aspects of cross-border transactions such as mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures, recapitalizations, public financings and corporate restructurings. She recently was recognized as a *Law360* 2019 Tax MVP for her prowess in guiding Virgin Galactic through a \$1.5 billion merger with Social Capital Hedosophia that created the first publicly traded commercial human spaceflight company.



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As global chair of Latham & Watkins' Investment Funds Practice, Andrea Schwartzman is responsible for leading the international strategic direction and growth of the practice. She advises private fund sponsors and global asset management firms on the structuring and formation of private investment funds. Schwartzman regularly advises sponsors and principals on a wide variety of corporate matters involving private funds, including fund operations, internal sponsor arrangements, the structuring of portfolio company investments and exits, joint ventures, and strategic transactions, including the acquisition of investment management firms. A Harvard graduate with a law degree from Columbia University, Schwartzman has significant experience advising on cross-border transactions involving private funds and investors in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and Latin America.



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A partner in Latham & Watkins' Capital Markets and Financial Regulatory Practices, Dana Fleischman focuses on matters involving the regulation of broker-dealers and securities markets. She advises clients on a range of corporate and regulatory compliance matters related to mergers and acquisitions, public offerings and private placements, internal investigations and enforcement, and cross-border transactions. Recognized as a leading securities and broker-dealer regulatory lawyer, Fleischman serves as counsel to numerous major financial institutions. She also counsels securities firms and trade associations on regulatory initiatives and rule-making proposals. Fleischman has been instrumental in obtaining no-action relief, exemptive orders and interpretive guidance from various regulatory bodies such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and the New York Stock Exchange. Fleischman is a member of the ABA's Federal Securities Regulation Committee, current Chair of the ABA's FINRA Subcommittee, former Chair of the ABA's Trading and Markets Subcommittee, and a member of SIFMA's Compliance and Legal Division.



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