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# **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

2016 was a great year for Petrucelly, Norris & Minsch. Jennifer Norris and Eliza Minsch took the helm at the firm upon Jeff Petrucelly's retirement, opened an office in historic Lexington Center, and enjoyed success for old and new clients in a variety of legal matters. We also welcomed Maria Woods as our new Legal Administrative Assistant.



Jennifer Norris and Eliza Minsch

Thank you to all of our clients, staff, colleagues and friends for your continued support and loyalty to our firm!

# 2016 SELECTED CASE HIGHLIGHTS

## **Personal Injury from Mold in Residential Apartment**

Jennifer led the charge in successfully defending against the defendants' attempts to preclude our experts from testifying and dismiss our client's claims for injuries caused by her landlords' refusal to remediate chronic water and mold conditions in her apartment.

### Worker's Compensation Benefits for Occupational Asthma

Eliza achieved a hard-fought worker's compensation settlement for a teacher who was disabled from work due to her development of Occupational Asthma, which was caused by unsafe conditions in her workplace.

# **Breach of Privacy**

As a result of tenacious advocacy, investigation, litigation, and negotiation, we obtained a favorable settlement for female clients who were subjected to a shocking and degrading breach of their privacy in the workplace, which resulted in the women suffering substantial distress.

#### **Eviction Prevention**

Eliza and Jennifer each zealously represented low-income tenants to defend eviction actions and achieved favorable resolutions allowing their clients to stay in their homes.

### **Complex Divorce Matters**

Jennifer and Eliza worked diligently through negotiations, court hearings and mediation to resolve several complex divorce matters involving abuse, financial misconduct, and child custody issues.

#### Non-Profit Counsel

In support of their important community work, we provided advice and assistance to our non-profit clients on issues involving employees, board matters, real estate, and avoiding legal pitfalls.

## **Employment Matters**

Eliza and Jennifer successfully assisted several clients with difficult employment matters, including termination, severance negotiation, allegations of wrongdoing, and discrimination.

## 2016 FIRM HIGHLIGHTS

#### Election 2016

On November 8, 2016, Jennifer and Eliza headed to New Hampshire to serve as poll monitors for the election. During our 13-hour shift, we met some amazing volunteers, drank a lot of coffee, and worked to ensure that all voters had full, fair and equal access to exercise this vital civil right.

#### Women's Bar Association Annual Gala 2016

As proud supporters of the WBA, we were happy to celebrate the amazing women honored at this year's gala event and to join with our colleagues in supporting the WBA's mission to achieve the full and equal participation of women in the legal profession and in a just society.

# Continued Commitment to Protect Legal Rights and Advance Social Justice

We are proud supporters of progressive organizations that seek to promote social justice, such as the Southern Poverty Law Center, Women's Bar Foundation, National Lawyers Guild, and Hyde Square Task Force.

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#### Election Day in Manchester, NH



## **ABOUT US**

Petrucelly, Norris & Minsch, P.C. is a full-service woman-owned and operated civil law firm providing quality legal counsel to individuals, families, small businesses, and non-profit organizations. We provide cost-effective legal assistance to clients on a wide variety of legal matters such as:

- Family Law
  - Divorce
  - Adoption (including same-sex, grandparent & step-parent)
  - Paternity
  - Post-Divorce Issues
- Employment Law
- Real Estate
- Condominium Law
- Consumer Rights
- Civil Litigation
- Estate Planning Documents
- Landlord/Tenant
- Personal Injury
- Non-Profit Incorporations and Counsel