



## ALBANY LAW SCHOOL 2010 KATE STONEMAN AWARD

### Kate Stoneman Award

Albany Law School seeks nominations for the 2010 Kate Stoneman Award. The Kate Stoneman Award is given annually to individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to actively seeking change and expanding opportunities for women. The awards are presented at a ceremony celebrating the pioneering spirit of Kate Stoneman.

### Who was Kate Stoneman?

Kate Stoneman paved the way for thousands of women in the legal profession. Supporting herself as a teacher, she worked nights, weekends, and summers as a clerk to an Albany lawyer. The first woman to pass the New York State bar exam, her application to join the bar was rejected because of her gender. She launched a campaign to amend the Code of Civil Procedure to permit the admission of qualified applicants without regard to sex or race. Stoneman became the first woman admitted to the New York State Bar in 1886. In 1898, she became the first female graduate of Albany Law School (in Stoneman's time a law degree was not required to practice law).

### Nominations

If you wish to nominate a qualified individual please complete the attached 2010 Nomination Form and submit it, with supporting documents by October 30, 2009. Return to:

Albany Law School – Kate Stoneman Award  
Christina Sebastian  
Office of Institutional Advancement  
80 New Scotland Avenue  
Albany, New York 12208-3494

### Kate Stoneman Award Recipients

#### Keynote Speakers:

Martha Barnett  
Judy Clarke  
Carol Dinkins  
Hon. Mary O. Donohue '83  
Herma Hill Kay  
Hon. Judith S. Kaye  
Arlinda Locklear  
Karen Mathis  
Cheryl D. Mills  
Margaret E. Montoya  
Hon. Constance Baker Motley  
Hon. Jeanine F. Pirro '75  
M. Catherine Richardson  
Mary Jo White

Penelope Andrews  
Marina Angel  
Gloria Herron Arthur '85  
Mae D'Agostino  
Gail Brown Bensen  
Charlotte S. Buchanan '80  
Hon. Carmen B. Ciparick  
Martha F. Davis  
Hon. Victoria A. Graffeo '77  
Bernard E. Harvith  
Katheryn D. Katz '70  
Rachel Kretser  
Betty Lugo '84  
Kathryn Grant Madigan '78  
Qudsia Mirza  
Hon. Yvonne Mokgoro  
Donna Jo Morse '91  
Mary Helen Moses  
Melissa Mourgues '80  
Lillian Moy  
Miriam M. Netter '72  
Georgia Nucci '96  
Nancy K. Ota  
Hon. Karen Peters  
Dianne Phillips '88  
Margrethe Powers '63  
Helen M. Pratt '28  
Patricia Youngblood Reyhan  
Marjorie Semerad  
Ann Shalleck  
Hon. Leslie E. Stein '81  
Sharon P. Stiller '75  
Sandra M. Stevenson '71  
Lorraine Power Tharp  
Hon. Beverly C. Tobin '62  
Donna E. Wardlaw '77  
Winifred R. Widmer '54



**ALBANY LAW SCHOOL KATE STONEMAN AWARD  
2010 NOMINATION FORM**

The Albany Law School Kate Stoneman Award honors individuals who reflect the spirit of Kate Stoneman by actively seeking change and expanding opportunities for women.

**NOMINEE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_ (Fax) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_ (Fax) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN by Friday, October 30, 2009:**

Nomination Form

Nominee's Resume

2 Letters of Support

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