

ALBANY LAW SCHOOL  
2012 KATE STONEMAN AWARDS



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## Kate Stoneman Awards

Albany Law School seeks nominations for the 2012 Kate Stoneman Awards. The Kate Stoneman Award is given annually to individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to actively seeking change and expanding opportunities for women within the profession. They have influenced other women to pursue legal careers and have opened doors that historically have been closed to women lawyers.

The awards, which are presented during a ceremony celebrating the pioneering spirit of Kate Stoneman, include the Miriam M. Netter '72 Award presented to the keynote speaker, and up to two additional Stoneman Awards to individuals who meet the criteria.

## 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 2012 Nomination Form and submit it, with supporting documents by Friday, October 7.

Return to:

Albany Law School – Kate Stoneman Award  
Christina Sebastian  
Office of Institutional Advancement  
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2012 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 within the profession.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Nomination Form

Nominee's Resume

2 Letters of Support

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