

# TERESE CONNORS EBARB

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## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

### **Law Office of Therese Connors Ebarb, PLLC**

August 2014-present

Representing clients in all capacities of estate and long term planning for senior and elderly population, including but not limited to drafting estate plans and administration of estates, benefit planning, Article 81 Guardianships, real estate, simple litigation and problem solving.

### **Touro Law Center**

#### Elder Law Clinic/ Pro Bono Attorney

April, 2011-2014

Assisted Clinical Director in teaching and conducting various types of litigation and transactional matters for Elder Law Clinic including, but not limited to Guardianship, Medicaid, real estate and end-of-life planning, trust and estates. Assisted students in learning and mastering legal research, writing and clinical skills.

#### Attorney, Disaster Relief Clinic & Coordinator of TLC-HEART Hotline

December 2012-February 2014

Trained and supervised clinic and visiting law students to conduct in-person and telephone interviews of Superstorm Sandy survivors. Taught students skills to discern substantive legal, ethical and interpersonal issues as they conducted interviews and provided legal counsel to clients and assisted students as they determined and developed strategies to resolve the problems presented which included estate and real estate issues. Coordinated with social service, non-profits and Sandy recovery providers as part of client's recovery plan.

#### Senior Citizens Law Project-Staff Attorney

September-December 2012

Counseled and represented senior citizen concerning end-of-life planning, Medicaid requirements, landlord-tenant matters, small claims court matters, contract/consumer disputes and real estate issues. Coordinated with various social service agencies.

### **Badami, Mc Guire & Cahalan:**

Huntington, NY

#### *Of Counsel*

1997-1999

Expanded estate planning practice; prepared and executed estate plans including complex wills, trusts and complicated business plans.

### **The Law Offices of Jerri Ann Cirino: Associate**

Huntington, NY 1995-1997

Participated in all phases of a practice that focused on preparing and executing business transactions, estate planning, elder law planning, tax litigation, and estate litigation. Prepared accounting, probate and administration proceedings in Surrogate's Court. Prepared Offer and Compromise agreements and innocent spousal petitions for tax clients. Researched and contributed to Tax Court proceedings. Conducted real estate closings.

### **Patrick F. Adams, P.C.**

Bayshore

#### *Associate*

1994

Participated in all phases of medical/dental malpractice litigation. Conducted depositions, appeared at court conferences, researched and prepared for all phases of litigation. Drafted pleadings, motions, appeals and conducted depositions.

### **David Project Law Services of Suffolk County**

Bayshore, NY

#### *Summer Fellow*

May-August 1992

Managed cases for clients with HIV infections and AIDS. Interviewed clients, prepared bankruptcy petitions, drafted wills and trust agreements, and researched specific legal issues regarding HIV and AIDS. Assisted clients with resolving family issues including divorce, public benefits and housing.

### **Nassau County Coalition for Domestic Violence, Nassau County Family Court**

Westbury, NY

#### *Summer Fellow-Touro Law Center-Public Interest Law*

May-August 1991

Interviewed clients, prepared petitions and advocated for temporary and permanent Orders of Protection. Researched and drafted legal memoranda concerning custody, child support, and other family law issues for Family Court attorneys.

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **Touro Law Center**

Central Islip, NY

*Adjunct Law Professor, Legal Methods II*

January-May 2004

Taught legal research methods; how to research, draft, edit and perfect an appeal and present an oral argument.

**Hofstra University**

*NITA Junior Trial and Litigation Program: Judge and Teacher*  
*Adjunct Writing Professor*  
*Legal Writing Pilot Program*

Hempstead, NY  
2015  
1999-2004  
Spring 2003

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**AHRC**

*Pro Bono Attorney*

Bohemia, NY

Community Growth Center  
Board Member

Port Jefferson, NY

Islip Breast Cancer Coalition  
Board Member

Islip, NY

Co-Chair of the Suffolk County Bar Assn. Elder Law Committee

2017-present

**EDUCATION**

**New York University Law School**

New York, NY

**LL.M. in TAXATION, 2005; LL.M. in General Studies-Emphasis in Legal Scholarship, 2000**

**Trained in Mediation by Elder Decisions Team of Boston, MA**

**Summers of 2016-18**

**Touro Law Center**

Central Islip, NY

J.D., 1993; Top 10% of Class; Public Interest Fellow: 1991& 1992; Community Service Award, Student Service Award; Outstanding Woman Law Graduate, 1993

*Student Attorney, Social Security and Health Benefits Clinic*

January-May 1992

Researched, prepared and presented clients' cases before Administrative Law Judge in order to obtain disability benefits for indigent clients.

**Stony Brook University**

Stony Brook, NY

M.A. in Liberal Arts-Emphasis in English, 1989

**Siena College**

Loudonville, NY

B.A. in English, 1986

**BAR ADMISSIONS/PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Admitted in New York and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Suffolk County Bar Association; and New York State Bar Association; (Bd. Member of Ethics Committee of Elder Committee) NAELA, National & New York Chapter member. NITA Trial and Teacher and Training certified.