

THE NATIONAL TRIAL LAWYERS

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The National Trial Lawyers: Top 100 is an invitation-only organization composed of the premier trial lawyers from across the country who meet stringent qualifications as civil plaintiff and/or criminal defense trial lawyers. It is our mission to promote a unique and professional networking opportunity for trial lawyers, while developing progressive ideas to pursue justice for those injured by the negligence of others, to educate the public about the importance of access to courts that are free of bias and undue influence, and to protect the American right of trial by jury.

JUDITH LIVINGSTON

Judith Livingston has long been one of the most successful plaintiff's attorneys in the United States. Reserved, methodical and precise, she has been called "A Legal Legend" by Law Dragon. Since 1989, Judith has been a partner at the law firm of Kramer Dillof Livingston & Moore. To date, she has won 31 trials with verdicts in excess of \$1 million — more than any other female in the country, and is celebrating her 20th anniversary in the Inner Circle of Advocates, where she was the first female and youngest attorney ever inducted. She specializes in medical malpractice and personal injury cases. Judith has the distinction of being named in Best Lawyers magazine for 2011 and 2013 as the New York Medical Malpractice "Lawyer of the Year." She was cited by the National Law Journal as one of "40 lawyers who have made their mark in the area of health care law;" and she has been listed yearly by New York maga-

Journal as one of "40 lawyers who have made their mark in the area of health care law;" and she has been listed yearly by New York magazine and Super Lawyers magazine as one of the best lawyers in New York. New York magazine also cited her as one of "The 50 most influential women lawyers in America."

In 2014, Judith was honored by both Hofstra University and Fordham University. She received the Presidential Medal from Hofstra University and the Fordham Founder's Award, the highest honor conferred by Fordham University. Judith sits on the Board of Directors of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. She is a member of American College of Trial Lawyers; the International Society of Barristers; the Bar Association of the City of New York; the American Association of Justice, and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.



First job ever:

I was banquet waitress and regularly had to balance huge trays holding 10 plates of wedding cake, each with a lit sparker.

Proudest moment as a trial lawyer: In one of my early cases, I had just summed up and had asked the jury for \$600,000. Several of the jurors gave me quizzical looks, which was very disconcerting. The next day they came back with an award of \$1 million.

Attribute my success to:

A remarkable mentor: my husband and law partner Tom Moore.

Notable Verdict or Settlement: My 31st jury victory of over \$1 million.

Fantasy job:
Mayor of New York City — for a day.

Guilty pleasure:
Betting on horseracing.

What I like to do in my time off: Spend time with my adult children.

What keeps you awake at night?
My so-called adult children.
What paper do you generally read
daily?
The New York Times and the New
York Post.

What is your advice for a young attorney?

Read the medical record not 5 times or 10 times but 50 times. It may be on the 35th reading or the 45th reading, but you will find something important that you didn't see before.

How do you relax?
Walking the 6 miles from our apartment to our office.

What was your most embarrassing moment in life?

When I was mistaken for a character from *Law & Order* — while in the courtroom!