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PRACTICE AREAS

- Elder Law and Estate Planning
- Special Needs Planning
- Estate Planning
- Guardianships
- Becoming a Guardian
- Trusts & Estates
- Medicaid Planning
- Estate Probate & Administration
- Elder Law
- Estate Litigation

Ellyn S. Kravitz is a partner at Abrams, Fensterman, LLP. She concentrates her practice in elder law, special needs planning, estate planning, estate administration and guardianships. Ellyn is an authority on issues affecting adults and children with disabilities, and our senior population.

Ellyn holds the designation of a Certified Elder Law Attorney (CELA), awarded by the National Elder Law Foundation as accredited by the American Bar Association.

Ellyn has been designated a Super Lawyer by the Thomson-Reuters Company since 2009, a distinction earned by only 5% of the attorneys in the New York Metro area. She was also included in the list of Top Women Attorneys in the New York Metro Area since 2012 in the New York Times Magazine. Ellyn has

been named to both the New York Super Lawyers lists of Top 100 Lawyers in New York and the Top 50 Women Lawyers in New York in 2024, 2025, and 2026. Further, she was selected by her peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® in the practice area of elder law since 2015. Ellyn has been recognized as Best Lawyer "Lawyer of the Year" for **2022 for Elder Law in New York City**.

Ellyn is an active member of the New York State Bar Association where she is an active member of both the Elder Law and Special Needs Section and Trusts and Estate Section. She is member of the Executive Committee of the Elder Law Section and serves as the current Co-Vice Chair of the Guardianship Committee. Ellyn is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Trusts and Estates section and is a Co-Chair of its Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities Committee.

Ellyn is a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) and the New York State Chapter of NAELA where she served as a board member. She was a former member of the Board of the Estate Planning Council of New York City, Inc.

Ellyn is a member of the Brooklyn Bar Association and serves as Vice Co-Chair of the Elder Law Committee.

She is a frequent presenter to both consumer and professional groups and has provided input to state and national programs addressing legal, financial and other related matters involving persons with disabilities and our senior population.

Ellyn received her Juris Doctor degree from the New England School of Law and her LL.M. in estate planning from the University of Miami. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan.

CERTIFICATION

- Elder Law Attorney, National Elder Law Foundation

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York, 1993
- U.S. District, Southern District of New York, 2019

EDUCATION

- University of Miami School of Law, Coral Gables, Florida, LL.M.
  - Honors: Estate Planning
- New England School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts, J.D.
- University of Michigan, B.A.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- New York Metro *Super Lawyers®,* 2009 – Present
  - “Top 100 Lawyers in New York City,” 2024, 2025, 2026
  - “Top 50 Female Lawyers in New York City,” 2024, 2025, 2026
- The Best Lawyers in America®, 2015 – Present
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Lawyer of the Year – Elder Law, 2022
- Long Island Alzheimer’s Foundation

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- New York State Bar Association, Elder Law and Special Needs Section
  - Executive Committee, Member
  - Co-Chair of Guardianship Committee
- New York State Bar Association, Trusts and Estates Section
  - Executive Committee, Member
  - Chair of Elderly and Disabled Committee
- National Elder Law Foundation
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA), Member
- New York Chapter of NAELA, Member
- Brooklyn Bar Association
  - Co-Vice Chair of Elder Law Committee
- Estate Planning Council of New York, Member
  - Director of Law, 2013-2016
- Selfhelp Community Services, Inc, Evelyn Frank Legal Resources Program
  - Legal Advisor Board, Member
- Kellner Family Pediatric Liver Disease Foundation, Benefit Committee, Member
- Long Island Alzheimer’s Foundation (“LIAF”) Legal Advisory Board, Co-Chair, 2005-2006

FEATURED PUBLICATIONS

- **Abrams Fensterman Partner Ellyn Kravitz Presents at CLE: “Estate Battles, Blended Families, and Guardianship Nightmares”**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/abrams-fensterman-partner-ellyn-kravitz-presents-at-cle-estate-battles-blended-families-and-guardianship-nightmares
- **12 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers® 2027**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/12-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-in-best-lawyers-2027
- **RoseAnn C. Branda and Ellyn Kravitz Named to Prestigious Super Lawyers® “Top Lists”**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/roseann-c-branda-and-ellyn-kravitz-prestigious-super-lawyers-top-lists
- **Abrams Fensterman Earns Nine 2027 Best Law Firms® Rankings** — 11/05/2026
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/abrams-fensterman-earns-nine-2027-best-law-firms-rankings

- **44 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized in 2026 New York Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars** — 10/25/2026
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/44-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-in-2026-new-york-super-lawyers-and-rising-stars
- **7 Abrams Fensterman Practices ranked in 2026 Best Law Firms®** — 11/06/2025
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/7-abrams-fensterman-practices-ranked-in-2026-best-law-firms
- **40 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Named in 2025 New York Super Lawyers** — 10/29/2025
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/40-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-named-in-2025-new-york-super-lawyers
- **10 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers® 2026** — 08/25/2025
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/10-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-in-best-lawyers-2026
- **7 Abrams Fensterman Practices ranked in 2025 Best Law Firms®** — 11/07/2024
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/2025-best-law-firms-in-america-ranks-7-abrams-fensterman-practices
- **33 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized on 2024 New York Metro Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars Lists** — 10/23/2024
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/33-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-on-2024-new-york-metro-super-lawyers-and-rising-stars-lists
- **9 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers® 2025** — 08/15/2024
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/9-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-in-best-lawyers-2025
- **Congratulations to our 2024 Best Lawyers & Ones to Watch** — 12/11/2023
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/congratulations-to-our-2024-best-lawyers-ones-to-watch
- **Increase in Medicaid Limits** — 12/27/2022
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/announcements/increase-in-medicaid-limits
- **Congratulations to Our 2020 Super Lawyers & Rising Stars** — 11/30/2020
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/announcements/congratulations-to-our-2020-super-lawyers-rising-stars
- **Best Lawyers Has Named Five Abrams Fensterman Attorneys to the New York Best Lawyers List** — 11/30/2018
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/news/best-lawyers-has-named-five-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-to-the-new-york-best-lawyers-list
- **Howard Fensterman Congratulates Eighteen Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Named 2016 Super Lawyers Seventeen others Tapped as Rising Stars** — 10/13/2016
  https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/howard-fensterman-congratulates-eighteen-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-named-2016-super-lawyers-300344344.html
- **Elder Law & Special Needs Section Summer Meeting** — 08/08/2014
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/elder-law-special-needs-section-summer-meeting
- **1st Annual Conference on Development in Aging and Longevity Law** — 10/07/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/1st-annual-conference-on-development-in-aging-and-longevity-law
- **Abrams Fensterman Celebrates Selection of Twelve Attorneys Named to the 2013 Super Lawyers List & Seven Others Named to the Rising Stars List** — 09/25/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/announcements/abrams-fensterman-celebrates-selection-of-twelve-attorneys-named-to-the-2013-super-lawyers-list-seven-others-named-to-the-rising-stars-list
- **Elder Law** — 05/23/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/elder-law
- **Medicaid** — 04/18/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/medicaid
- **Medicaid Planning** — 03/14/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/medicaid-planning
- **Careers in Elder Law** — 01/28/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/careers-in-elder-law

- **Elder Law Program** — 01/22/2013
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/elder-law-program
- **Howard Fensterman Congratulates Abrams Fensterman Team Chosen 2012 New York Super Lawyers** — 12/10/2012
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/announcements/howard-fensterman-congratulates-abrams-fensterman-team-chosen-2012-new-york-super-lawyers
- **Do you Know What you Need to Know to Address the Needs of Elderly or Disabled Family Members? – Part II** — 10/03/2012
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/do-you-know-what-you-need-to-know-to-address-the-needs-of-elderly-or-disabled-family-members-part-ii
- **Do you Know What you Need to Know to Address the Needs of Elderly or Disabled Family Members?** — 09/11/2012
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/events/do-you-know-what-you-need-to-know-to-address-the-needs-of-elderly-or-disabled-family-members-september-2012