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PRACTICE AREAS

- Appeals
- Guardianships
- Becoming a Guardian
- Mental Health Law
- Elder Law
- Special Needs Planning

Lisa Herman is a partner at Abrams Fensterman, LLP and a member of the firm's Mental Health Law Practice Group, the only family-focused mental healthcare practice in the country. Ms. Herman focuses her practice on Mental Health Law and Elder Law with a particular concentration in working with individuals and families facing psychiatric diagnoses, substance abuse issues, and other disabilities to help them navigate the complex legal and mental health systems that impact them.

Ms. Herman has over 26 years experience in the fields of Mental Health Law and Elder Law having represented thousands of clients in psychiatric treatment proceedings, civil commitment hearings, retention hearings and jury trials, Kendra's Law applications (Assisted Outpatient Treatment), Mental Hygiene Law Article 81 guardianship and turnover proceedings, and Surrogate's Court Procedure Act Article 17A guardianship proceedings. Ms. Herman has lectured extensively on issues related to guardianship proceedings for the New York State Bar Association, the Westchester County Bar Association, The Judicial Institute, New York Law School, and Pace Law School.

Ms. Herman has been recognized as one of the *Best Lawyers in America*® for her work in Elder Law since 2026. She was also named one of Westchester's Top Women in Business for 2025 by *914INC.*, honored among 21 other "exceptional leaders" making a meaningful impact across the region. In addition, Lisa has been named among *Crain's New York Business* 2026 Notable Women in Law.

Prior to joining Abrams Fensterman, Ms. Herman was employed as a Deputy Chief Attorney with the Mental Hygiene Legal Service, Appellate Division Second Judicial Department where, in addition to representing and advocating for clients with psychiatric and other disabilities, she was responsible for overseeing the staff and legal operations of the Mental Hygiene Legal Service's offices located within the 9th Judicial District.

Ms. Herman is eligible to receive court appointments in Bronx County, New York County, Westchester County, Rockland County, Orange County, Dutchess County, Putnam County, and Nassau County as Court Evaluator, Attorney for the Alleged Incapacitated Person, Counsel to Guardian and Guardian Ad Litem pursuant to Part 36 of the Rules of the Chief Judge of the New York State Unified Court System.

Ms. Herman earned a J.D. from New York Law School and a B.A. from the University of Maryland. She is admitted to practice law in New York State and Connecticut.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York
- Connecticut

EDUCATION

- New York Law School, J.D., Cum Laude
- University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland – B.A.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Crain's New York Business, 2026 Notable Women in Law
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Elder Law, 2026, 2027
- 914INC. Women in Business Honoree, 2025

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- New York State Bar Association – Elder Law and Special Needs Section, Member; Mental Health Law Committee, Member; Women in Law Section, Member
- Women's Bar Association of the State of New York (WBASNY) – Co-Chair of the Business Development Committee, Westchester Women's Bar Association (WWBA), Member; Women's Bar Association of Orange & Sullivan Counties, Member

- Westchester County Bar Association (WCBA) – Committee for Attorney Well-Being, Secretary; Adult Guardianship Committee, Member; Elder Law Committee, Member; Health Law Committee, Member; Women in the Law Committee, Member
- Justice Brandeis Law Society 9th Judicial District – Secretary

FEATURED PUBLICATIONS

- **12 Abrams Fensterman Attorneys Recognized in Best Lawyers® 2027**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/awards/12-abrams-fensterman-attorneys-recognized-in-best-lawyers-2027
- **Lisa Herman Named Among 914INC.'s 2025 Women in Business Honorees**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/announcements/lisa-herman-named-among-914inc-s-2025-women-in-business-honorees
- **WBASNY's virtual CLE featuring Abrams Fensterman Panelists, Carolyn Wolf and Lisa Herman**
  https://www.abramslaw.com/media/thought-leadership/wbasnys-virtual-cle-featuring-abrams-fensterman-llp-panelists-carolyn-wolf-and-lisa-herman
- **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
- **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