

CURRICULUM VITAE-CAROL L. FORTE

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PERSONAL:

Name: Carol L. Forte

Address: One Main Street, Chatham, New Jersey 07928

PRESENT POSITION:

Partner - Blume, Goldfaden, Berkowitz, Donnelly, Fried & Forte, P.C.

EDUCATION:

1981 Wagner College, B.S. Nursing, Magna Cum Laude

1984 Seton Hall School of Law, Cum Laude

LICENSURE:

New Jersey, 1984

EXPERIENCE:

1984 - present: Blume, Goldfaden, Berkowitz, Donnelly, Fried & Forte, P.C. ; specializing in plaintiff's medical malpractice litigation

CERTIFICATION:

Certified Civil Trial Attorney, State of New Jersey 1992 – to the present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, ORGANIZATIONS AND BOARDS:

American Board of Trial Advocates

American Trial Lawyers Association

(Birth Trauma Litigation Group Board of Directors 1996 -;

Birth Trauma Litigation Group – co-chair 1997-1999)

New Jersey State Bar Association

(Past member Civil Trial Practice Committee)

Essex County Bar Association

(Past co-chair Joint Medical Legal Committee)

William J. Brennan Inn of Court, Master (1997-1999)

Supreme Court Board on Attorney Certification 1997- to the present)

Trial Attorneys of New Jersey, (Board of Trustees 1997)

Seton Hall School of Law Advisory Board (2004-2007)

Morris County Judicial and Prosecutorial Nominating Committee- 2001-2008

Governor's Medical Care Availability Task Force (Representative for the NJ State Bar Association) - 2005 – 2007

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers elected 2008

HONORS AND AWARDS:

National Law Journal, One of Top 10 Litigators in New Jersey – 2000

National Law Journal, One of America's Top 50 Woman Litigators, 2000

National Law Journal, One of America's Top 50 Woman Litigators, 2001

Outstanding Civil Trial Attorneys' Award, Essex County Bar Association, April 2002

Woman's Law Forum of Seton Hall, Woman of Substance Award – 2003

Included in: New Jersey Monthly, "Top Lawyers in New Jersey" 2003

Included in: The Best Lawyers In America, 2003 – 2004; 2005 – 2006; 2007

Included in: New Jersey Monthly, "Super Lawyers" 2005, 2006, 2007

Included in: Law Dragon – Top Lawyers in the United States – 2006, 2007

New Jersey State Bar Association, Board of Trustees, Annual Distinguished Legislative Service Award – 2007

New Jersey Monthly, "Super Lawyers 2008" – Named one of the Top 10 Attorneys in the State

Carol Forte was recognized by the Woman's Law Forum of Seton Hall with their Woman of Substance Award in 2003, and was the recipient of the 2002 Outstanding Civil Trial Attorney Award given by the Essex County Bar Association. The Trial Attorneys of New Jersey selected Ms. Forte as a recipient of their 2009 award given annually to deserving members of the Bar.

PRESENTATIONS:

June 1996 Ontario, Canada, Birth Trauma Litigation Group of American Trial Lawyers Association:
Overcoming the "ACOG 163" Defense in Brain Damaged Baby Cases

July 1996 Boston, MA, Birth Trauma Litigation Group of American Trial Lawyers Association: Anticipating the Defenses to Shoulder Dystocia cases

April 1997, Atlanta, Georgia, Birth Trauma Litigation Group of American Trial Lawyers Association, panelist: Causation and Timing Issues in the Catastrophic Injury Case

February 1999, Maui, Hawaii, Birth Trauma Litigation Group of American Trial Lawyers Association:
Special Problems of the Premature Infant

July 2000, Chicago, Illinois, Professional Negligence Section of the American Trial Lawyers Association:
Vicarious Liability for Healthcare Providers

November 2003, Invited Speaker, New Jersey Judicial College Medical Malpractice Forum

November 2003, ICLE Seminar – Expert Cross Examination

February 2004, ATLA “Back to Basics” Proximate Causation in Medical Malpractice Cases

October 2004, “Hot Topics in Medical Malpractice: Update 2004”, Proximate Causation, Saturday,
October 16, 2004, New Jersey Law Center , New Brunswick, sponsored by New Jersey Institute for
Continuing Legal Education

ATLA Boardwalk Seminar Speaker, Proximate Causation – April 28, 2006

Faculty, Masters in Trial Program, sponsored by ABOTA – May 13, 2006, Hyatt Regency New Brunswick,
Demonstrated direct/cross-examinations

October 2007, ATLA “Auto Insurance Institute, Medical Malpractice, Brain Injury Roundtable, Mass Torts
Roundtable 2007” , Friday & Saturday, October 19-20, 2007, Sheraton Meadowlands Hotel, East
Rutherford, sponsored by New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Demonstrated Opening
Statement