



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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# **SENATOR AMEDORE HONORS THE HONORABLE DEBORAH A. SLEZAK AS A NYS SENATE “WOMAN OF DISTINCTION”**

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In addition to her private practice, Deb was the Town Attorney for the Town of Amsterdam from October of 1996 through November of 2009. She resigned her position as Town Attorney upon making a successful bid for the position of Town Justice of the Town of Amsterdam, a position she still serves in.

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In addition to her busy professional life, Deborah is an active community volunteer. She served on the Board of Directors of the Amsterdam YMCA from 1997 through

2008 and was a past Board President; and on Amsterdam's Saint Mary's Hospital Board of Trustees. She volunteers at her church; and at her children's schools: she is a Booster Club Member of the Amsterdam High School Drama Club, the AHS Marching Rams; the AHS Boys Soccer Team; and Girls Cross Country Team.

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