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Nora Constance Marino, a Queens County resident for 25 years, has been in the private practice of law for almost two decades, with a focus on negligence, torts, constitutional law, commercial litigation, medical malpractice, and family law, among other areas of specialty.

In 2001-2002, Ms. Marino served her country with distinction as a First Lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the United States Army Reserve, and received an Honorable Discharge. She ran for New York State Senate in her Queens district in 2006, garnering 40% of the vote as a political unknown.

Ms. Marino is a prominent advocate for animals, and regularly does low bono or pro bono legal work related to animal issues. In 2014, she created a not-for-profit organization known as the Animal Cruelty Exposure Fund, whose mission is to expose animal cruelty through media and litigation, while promoting animal advocacy and education. The organization obtained 501(c)(3) status with the IRS in 2015.

In 2011, the Queens County City Council nominated Ms. Marino Queens County representative on the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC), and Mayor Bloomberg subsequently appointed her. She has been serving her city as a TLC commissioner, an unsalaried position, for the past seven years. She was recently reappointed by Mayor de Blasio.

Ms. Marino has acted as a legal commentator numerous times on HLN's "The Jane Velez-Mitchell Show," and in 2014, she was named a "Top Woman in Business" by the popular local newspaper The Queens Courier.

Educated at University of California at Berkeley, New York University, and the City University School of Law at Queens College, Ms. Marino is a member of the American Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, New York State Trial Lawyers Association and the American Association for Justice, among others. She is admitted to practice law in New York State, Connecticut and Colorado.