



Women of DISTINCTION

HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Jennifer O. D'Andrea-Terreri

Jennifer O. D'Andrea-Terreri is best described as an entrepreneur, philanthropist, American patriot, and mother to four beautiful children. She has nearly 20 years experience in the legal field, has a real estate and property management company, and in her spare time, does what she can to improve the lives of others in her community.

On July 25, 2010, Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri lost her former husband, who had a long history of substance abuse, to an opiate overdose. As a result of her and her children's loss, her life experience growing up in a military family, and difficulty finding resources to help her family cope with all that encompasses loving someone who is struggling with addiction, Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri decided to create what was so desperately lacking in her community.

In 2012, Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri founded a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization called S.E.R.V. NIAGARA. Its mission is to S.E.R.V.: Support, Empower, Respect Veterans. S.E.R.V. Niagara is the first and only organization in Niagara County to provide housing exclusively for homeless and disabled veterans and their families. The organization also provides a uniquely structured program to support, employ, educate, empower, and promote healing, all of which foster the ultimate goals of self-sufficiency and keeping veterans and their families together.

Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri presents all S.E.R.V. Niagara programming to the treatment courts and Veterans' Courts, speaking on social issues such as substance abuse, domestic violence, and their effects on children and families. She works closely with law enforcement agencies, the Veterans' Administration, Department of Social Services, as well as other agencies and organizations.

Since forming S.E.R.V. Niagara, Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri has shifted her area of practice from personal injury to veterans and military issues, and offers services pro bono to qualifying veterans.

Among her many honors and awards, she is the recipient of the 2017 New York National Guard, Family Programs Recognition & Youth Development Award, and the 2016 'Unsung Hero Award' by the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, Washington, D.C. She was a 2015 Congressional Medal of Honor Citizens Honors Top 10 National Finalist in the Service Act category.

While Ms. D'Andrea-Terreri has built her philanthropic work and career as a goal-driven, results-oriented executive, her true purpose is helping others.

***Jennifer O. D'Andrea-Terreri was selected as a
2019 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Robert G. Ort.***

