



# Women of DISTINCTION

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## HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

*Nicole Sheindlin*

Nicole Sheindlin is a graduate of New York Law School ('93) and the co-founder, CEO and driving force behind Her Honor Mentoring, a Westchester County-based empowerment program that pairs female high school seniors with women who are leaders in their respective careers.

Her Honor Mentoring was co-founded with her stepmother, The Honorable Judith Sheindlin, star of the syndicated television program, "Judge Judy," former Supervising Judge of Manhattan's Family Court as well as a New York Law School alumna.

Ms. Sheindlin's inspiration for Her Honor Mentoring came from a desire to work proactively in her own community. She started Her Honor Mentoring while simultaneously working as a senior staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society's Criminal Defense Division in Bronx County, handling all phases of criminal litigation for indigent and low income individuals accused of felonies and misdemeanors from arraignment through plea bargain or trial. During her 15-year tenure at Legal Aid, Ms. Sheindlin conducted jury and bench trials in cases involving charges of robbery, rape, attempted murder, assault, burglary, and sale and possession of controlled substances.

In addition to her Juris Doctor degree from New York Law School, Ms. Sheindlin also holds a Bachelor's degree from the University at Buffalo. She is a partner at Mentzer and Sheindlin, LLP, a private practice law firm that handles all aspects of criminal and civil litigation at the trial and appellate levels. Ms. Sheindlin is a sought out speaker and has presented on topics including "Perspectives in Philanthropy," "Supporting Women and Girls" at Morgan Stanley, and "Maximizing Mentoring Impact" for the Texas Women's Bar Association.

She has received numerous accolades such as the Champion of Human Rights Award from the Westchester County Human Rights Commission and The Community Champion Award in Education and Literacy from Volunteer New York of the United Way.

Ms. Sheindlin resides with her husband, three children, dog and cat in Larchmont.

***Nicole Sheindlin was selected as a  
2019 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Shelley B. Mayer.***

