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ERIKA N.D. STANAT NAMED 2022 WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE HONOREE

Rochester, New York, April 25, 2022 – Harter Secret & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, is pleased to announce that [Erika N.D. Stanat](#) has been selected as a 2022 Women of Excellence honoree by the *Rochester Business Journal*.

Stanat joins other high-achieving women selected for accomplishments in their profession, community involvement, leadership, and sustained commitment to mentoring. The winners were selected by a panel of judges comprised of previous honorees and will be honored at a celebration on May 24 at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center.

Stanat, a partner and leader of the Commercial and Intellectual Property [Litigation](#) practice group, counsels clients in the protection of their intellectual property, representing them in lawsuits in state and federal courts relating to patents, trademarks, and trade secrets. Besides her work in intellectual property litigation, she represents clients in commercial disputes and in litigation concerning tax, employee benefits (ERISA) and executive compensation issues. A former active-duty officer and attorney in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAGC), Stanat also serves as a mediator on the mediation panels for the United States Federal District Court for the Western District of New York and serves as a member of Western District of New York Local Rules Committee and its Local Patent Rules Subcommittee.

A graduate of The Dickinson School of Law and Bucknell University, Stanat has been recognized by *Chambers USA* for Litigation since 2017 and *The Best Lawyers in America*® for her work in Bet-the-Company Litigation, Litigation - Intellectual Property, and Commercial Litigation. She also is a senior fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America-Trial Lawyer Honorary Society, recipient of *The Daily Record's* Top Women in Law Award, the *Rochester Business Journal's* "Forty Under 40" Award, the

Volunteer Legal Services Project's William McKnight Award for Pro Bono Service, and the Bucknell Young Alumni Award. Stanat is active in several community organizations, including serving as Trustee and Chair of the Nominations and Governance Committee for Bucknell University, a Director for the Roger Tory Peterson Institute of Natural History, and an Advisory Board member, Chair of the Nominating Committee for the Wilmot Cancer Institute, Co-Chair of the Mother's Day Jewelry Shop Program conducted in RCSD Schools, and as a member of the Brighton Lacrosse Club Board. Stanat and her husband, Jon, have three sons, Lukas (20), Olin (18), and Aksel (15) and live in Brighton, New York.

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