



RISING STARS

THE NEW YORK LAW JOURNAL'S RISING STARS AWARDS RECOGNIZE THE REGION'S MOST PROMISING LAWYERS UNDER 40.

The following honorees are acknowledged for their influence in their practice areas in New York and beyond, developing unique practice niches, employing creative uses of technology, amassing robust books of business, demonstrating strong leadership qualities, showing expertise in litigation or transactional work, contributing to the improvement of their institutions, and committing themselves to pro bono, charitable and professional volunteer work.



ANN-ELIZABETH OSTRAGER

**PARTNER,
SULLIVAN &
CROMWELL**

PRACTICE PROFILE:

Ann-Elizabeth Ostrager is a partner in Sullivan & Cromwell's litigation group, a member of the

firm's criminal defense and investigations group and co-head of the labor and employment group. Ms. Ostrager has a diverse practice, which includes regulatory and internal investigations, employment litigation, securities litigation, and representations of a number of individuals in criminal matters.

LEADERSHIP, PRO BONO AND CIVIC WORK: Ms. Ostrager's pro bono work has included a matter involving the Free Exercise and Establishment clauses of the First Amendment, litigation involving the foster and adoption practices of the state of Michigan, as well as a representation of an individual pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act.

She is a member of the Federal Bar Council Second Circuit Courts Committee, the New York City Bar Association's Women in the Legal Profession: White Collar Crime Subcommittee, S&C's Women's Initiative Committee and Associate Experience Committee, Friends of Mount Sinai Hospital and also serves as a member of the Alumnae Board of The Spence School and on the Alumni Schools Committee for Princeton University. She has also served as a mentor in NYU's Law Women Professional Mentorship Program.

PRIOR EXPERIENCE:

Law Clerk, Hon. Dennis Jacobs and Hon. Richard C. Wesley, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

EDUCATION:

J.D., New York University School of Law, 2009
A.B., Princeton University, 2005

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOUNG LAWYERS?

My advice is to take a chance on yourself—look for opportunities and work that will be new and challenging because you will be rewarded for doing so. And find a mentor who will give you guidance and candid feedback.

**ANN-ELIZABETH OSTRAGER
SULLIVAN & CROMWELL**