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Loryn P. Riggiola is a Partner at Zetlin & De Chiara LLP. She represents clients in disputes arising from construction projects and commercial matters from counseling through litigation and/or arbitration. She has represented clients in both public and private sector projects, contract disputes, bidding disputes, defect and delay claims, and commercial disputes. Ms. Riggiola has worked with clients across the globe on a variety of matters, including the construction and operation of data centers, energy, transit and aviation projects.

Ms. Riggiola also represents corporations and financial institutions in litigation involving complex commercial issues, including employment disputes, restrictive covenant and unfair competition litigation. She has handled litigation involving trademark, trade dress and palming off claims under the Lanham Act, together with related insurance coverage issues.

Ms. Riggiola handles every stage of litigation from consultation to trial. She has participated in numerous bench and jury trials in both New York and New Jersey. Ms. Riggiola has served as both lead and supporting counsel in state and federal trials. She has also appeared before the appellate courts in both New York and New Jersey on behalf of our clients. Ms. Riggiola has conducted mediation, arbitration and international arbitration proceedings.

Ms. Riggiola is a Construction Law Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association (AAA). She is also an adjunct professor at Seton Hall University School of Law, where she teaches courses related to wellness in the legal profession.

Ms. Raggiola was named a Fellow of the Construction Lawyers Society of America. She was also selected as a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. Ms. Raggiola was named to **New Jersey's Leader in Law** list by NJBIZ in 2021. She was previously honored by NJBIZ as a one of 2020's **Best Women in Business** and by the Women Builders Council as an **Outstanding Women in the Building Industry**. She was honored by the Mann Foundation for her contributions to the building industry. Real Estate Weekly named her a "**Leading Lady**" in the industry. She has received the highest "Notable AV" rating from Martindale-Hubbell and has been recognized by *The Legal 500 United States*, *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Super Lawyers* for her litigation practice.

Education

Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D.

Ramapo College of New Jersey, B.S.

Admissions

New York

New Jersey

District of Columbia

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin

U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia

EXPERIENCE

Representative Matters

Data Centers / IT

Mission-Critical Data Center Dispute

We represented a company in a dispute that arose from the construction and expansion of its mission-critical data center located in New Jersey.

Education

University Laboratory Design and Delay Dispute

We are representing the project's mechanical and structural engineer with respect to a claim relating to the design and delays in the completion of a university laboratory in New Jersey.

Residential

California Property Litigation

We are defending our client in an action involving claims by a former business partner in a California real estate transaction.

HONORS

Fellowships

- Fellow of the American Bar Foundation
- Fellow of the Construction Lawyers Society of America

Honors & Recognitions

- Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation
- "Leading Lady" The Mann Charitable Foundation

- "Leading Lady" Real Estate Weekly
- Martindale-Hubbell® "Notable AV" rating
- NY Metro Area Leading Ladies in Real Estate
- NJBIZ Best 50 Women in Business – 2020
- NJBIZ New Jersey's Leaders in Law – 2021
- Super Lawyers
- Women Builders Council, Outstanding Woman in the Building Industry

NEWS & EVENTS

News

Partner Loryn P. Raggiola Named Fellow of the American Bar Foundation
02.13.2025

Partner Loryn P. Raggiola Profiled in Super Lawyers Metro New York 2024
11.11.2024

Super Lawyers 2024 Recognizes 13 Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys
10.24.2024

Partner Loryn P. Raggiola Profiled by ALM | LAW.COM as a Best Mentors Finalist
10.24.2024

Partner Loryn P. Raggiola Named Finalist for New Jersey Legal Awards
09.10.2024

The Best Lawyers in America 2025 Recognizes 15 Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys
08.15.2024

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Recognized as a Leading Firm in Construction Law by The Legal 500 United States 2024
06.24.2024

Super Lawyers 2023 Recognizes 14 Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys
09.22.2023

The Best Lawyers in America 2024 Recognizes 16 Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys
08.17.2023

Super Lawyers 2022 Recognizes Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys for Their Expertise in Construction Law
Super Lawyers

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Again Recognized in the Best Lawyers List
08.18.2022

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Ranked Tier 1 in 2022 Edition of U.S. News- Best Lawyers® Best Law Firms®
11.04.2021

Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys Widely Recognized in Super Lawyers 2021
09.30.2021

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Lawyers Highly Recognized by Best Lawyers®
Best Lawyers®, 08.19.2021

Loryn Raggiola, Partner, Named to Inaugural NJBIZ Leaders in Law List
NJBIZ, 05.13.2021

Super Lawyers Selects 10 Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys for Its 2020 Ranking
11.05.2020

Zetlin & De Chiara Lawyers Named to 2021 Best Lawyers and to Ones to Watch Lists
08.20.2020

Loryn Raggiola Selected NJBIZ's 2020 Best Women in Business
NJBIZ, 02.28.2020

Eleven Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers 2019
09.25.2019

Eight Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Attorneys Selected For The Best Lawyers in America 2020
The Best Lawyers in America 2020, 08.15.2019

Loryn Raggiola to Be Honored at 2019 Mann Foundation Celebration of NY Metro Area's Leading Ladies

Loryn Riggiola Shares Her Story at Women Builders Council Event

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Ranked Tier 1 in 2019 Edition of U.S. News' "Best Law Firms"

Seven Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Attorneys Selected For The Best Lawyers in America, 2019

Partners Jaimee Nardiello and Loryn Riggiola Named "Leading Ladies" by Real Estate Weekly

Twelve Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Attorneys Receive Prestigious Thomson Reuters' Super Lawyers 2018 Ranking

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Ranked Tier 1 in U.S. News' 2018 "Best Law Firms"

Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys Selected For The Best Lawyers in America 2018

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Recognized as Top Tier Construction Law Firm by U.S. News – Best Lawyers 2017

Seven Lawyers from Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Selected for Best Lawyers in America

The Use (and Misuse) of Emails in the Construction Industry, by Loryn P. Riggiola and Alana T. Sliwinski, New Jersey Law Journal, June 2016

Technology, Optimized Patient Experience, Resiliency and Sustainability are Hot Topics Discussed by Industry Leaders at Healthcare Master Builders

Linking In to a New Source of Evidence in Commercial Disputes, by Loryn Riggiola and Alana Sliwinski, New Jersey Law Journal, May 2014

Women Builders Council Recognizes Zetlin & De Chiara Attorneys

Zetlin & De Chiara Partner Loryn Riggiola Presents on Design Build in New York

Zetlin & De Chiara Adds Partner Loryn Riggiola to its Construction Law Practice

Retailer Sues Hartz Mountain Over Harmon Cove Closure
NJBIZ, 11.12.2012

Small Change Makes a Big Difference
New Jersey & Company Magazine, 05.01.2008

Kindness on schedule at station
The Star-Ledger, 02.22.2007

Speaking Engagements

Partner Loryn Riggiola Leads “Law & Life” CLE and Wellness Program
03.31.2025

Partner Loryn Riggiola to Present at the Women Builders Council 2024 AIM Women’s Leadership Forum
03.21.2024

Partner Loryn Riggiola Guest Lectures at Seton Hall University School of Law on Wellness in the Legal Industry
01.08.2024

Zetlin & De Chiara’s 30th Anniversary Celebration
12.14.2022

The Future is Design Build
Virtual, 11.19.2021

Champion or Challenger - How the DRB Process is Viewed Through the Lens of the Designer and Engineer
Virtual, 11.08.2021

Understanding the Arbitral Decision-Making Model and What Advocates Can Do to Protect the Award
Virtual, 06.10.2021

Partner Loryn R. Riggiola Spoke at the American Arbitration Association - International Centre for Dispute Resolution
The American Arbitration Association – International Centre for Dispute Resolution (AAA-ICDR),
08.15.2019

Women Builders Council - Our Stories, The Women of Real Estate
11.19.2018

Women Builders Council, WeForShe: Time to Empower the Next Generation
05.16.2018

Technology, Optimized Patient Experience, Resiliency and Sustainability are Hot Topics Discussed by Industry Leaders at Healthcare Master Builder

06.13.2014

Healthcare Master Builders Discussion

Harvard Club, 06.2014

What Does Design Build Mean in New York State?

Arup, 10.2013

JuiceTank Inaugural Conference: Anatomy of Decision-Making Success

06.27.2012

Third Annual Groundbreaking Women in Construction Conference, Decision-Making: Negotiate, Decide, Act

05.08.2012

26th Annual Conference & Exposition for Minority & Women-Owned Business Enterprises: Contracts Agreements

10.13.2011

Complying with Federal Mortgage Lending Laws, Defending Mortgage Lenders and Brokers, Issues with Receivers and Ancillary Procedures to Protect Loss and Practical Alternatives to Foreclosure

06.16.2011

Groundbreaking Women in Construction - Managing Complex Projects: Best Practices Here & Abroad

05.09.2011

National Leadership Conference for Women in Construction - Looking Ahead: The New Leader, Hammer, Heels and Heart

04.15.2010

Construction Superconference - Electronic Information: How to get it, how to use it and how it will make or break your claim

12.08.2005

Publications

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Fall 2018 Update
10.23.2018

Zetlin & De Chiara LLP Fall 2017 Update
10.12.2017

Linking In to a New Source of Evidence in Commercial Disputes
New Jersey Law Journal , 05.2014

Social Media: From Computer to Courtroom
The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel, 03.04.2013

E-Discovery Takes a Turn – Charting the Course to Discovery from Social Networks
The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel, 02.01.2011

Successfully Managing a Troubled Construction Project
The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel, 05.01.2009

AFFILIATIONS

Organizations

- American Bar Association - Member
- Design Build Institute of America, NY-Tri-State Metro Area, Past President
- The District of Columbia Bar Association - Member
- New Jersey State Bar Association - Member
- New York State Bar Association - Member
- Women Builders Council (WBC), General Counsel