



## RACHEL A. PLACITELLA

Rachel A. Placitella is a member with the law firm and handles complex litigation matters, concentrating on asbestos litigation. She is an experienced litigator handling each case from early investigative stage through settlement or trial, and has a reputation for excellence, marked by her participation in a number of significant mesothelioma-asbestos litigation cases.

Ms. Placitella received her B.S. *cum laude* from the State University of New York at Albany and her J.D. with honors from Syracuse University. She also served as an editor of the *Syracuse Law Review* while at Syracuse University College of Law, and worked for several years as an assistant prosecutor for Monmouth County, New Jersey where she prosecuted numerous jury trials.

### CONTACT

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### EDUCATION

Syracuse University College of Law,  
J.D. (*cum laude*; Law Review), 1982

State University of New York at  
Albany, B.S. (*cum laude*), 1979

### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- United States District Court,  
New Jersey
- United States District Court,  
Multistate Litigation

### LEGAL REPRESENTATIONS

- \$3 million jury verdict on behalf of the estate of a woman from Central New Jersey who died from mesothelioma as a result of her exposure to asbestos-containing products;
- Settlement of over \$3.6 million obtained on behalf of an electrician who had been diagnosed with mesothelioma as a result of his exposure to asbestos-containing products;
- \$3.4 million settlement obtained on behalf of a carpenter who had been diagnosed with mesothelioma as a result of his exposure to asbestos-containing products at various worksites in New Jersey.

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- In 2009, 2010, and 2011 Rachel A. Placitella was ranked as one of the “Top 100 Trial Lawyers” by the National Trial Lawyers association;
- In 2010 and 2011, she was included in the list of New Jersey *Super Lawyers* by Thomson Reuters, based on peer review ratings.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- New Jersey State Bar Association;
- The Association of Trial Lawyers of America;
- The American Association for Justice.

### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Ms. Placitella is a frequent invited lecturer on the art of taking depositions and conducting discovery.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Ms. Placitella is dedicated to volunteering in her community, and serves on the board of directors for Holidays for the Homeless and Underprivileged, Inc., as a fundraiser for The Alzheimer’s Association, and as a volunteer member at her local synagogue.