

Betty Weinberg Ellerin



Hon. Betty Weinberg Ellerin was appointed by Judge Pfau as a Vice Chair of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics in June 2007.

She is also currently senior counsel in Alston & Bird's Litigation and Trial Practice in their New York office, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Character and Fitness of the Appellate Division, First Department, and a panelist with JAMS (Judicial Arbitration and Mediation).

Prior to joining Alston & Bird, Justice Weinberg Ellerin served more than 20 years as an Appellate Division jurist. She was the first woman appointed as Deputy Chief Administrative Judge of the State of New York for the New York City Courts, where she was responsible for the operation of all the trial courts within the city. Following that position, she became the first woman appointed as Associate Justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York (First Department). Additional positions include Presiding Justice and Additional Justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York (First Department). Prior to her tenure on the bench, she served as Law Clerk to various State Supreme Court judges.

Justice Weinberg Ellerin is a founding member of numerous New York and national professional organizations. She is currently the chair of the New York State Judicial Committee on Women in the Courts. She has served as president of the National Association of Women Judges and was a founding member and current board member of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York. She was appointed to a newly created position with the judicial resources office, where she will assist in acclimating new judges to the bench and help design training programs for new judges. She is currently a Trustee Associate of New York University.

Justice Weinberg Ellerin received her LL.B. in 1952 from New York University, where she was awarded the Florence Allen Scholarship. She received her B.A., cum laude, in 1950 from Washington Square College under the combined college-law program, where she was elected to Justinian, the Pre-Law Honor Society.

Justice Weinberg Ellerin is also involved with Judges and Lawyers Breast Cancer Alert and the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society. She speaks and lectures frequently for CLE and other programs.