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necticut Magazine has named Cox a Connecticut Super Lawyer in the area of Civil Litigation, Defense for 2006, 2007 and 2008. She has also been named a New England Super Lawyer by Law and Politics Magazine in the area of Civil Litigation, Defense for 2007. She is a member of the Connecticut Defense Lawyers Association, and served as the group's president in 1990-91 and as chair of its board of directors in 1991-92.

Public Service: Cox is a past president of the Connecticut Defense Lawyers Association and was the first woman in the country elected to serve as head of a state's defense bar organization. In 2007, Maureen served on a CDLA panel leading a discussion of issues relating to women litigators. She also served on the Hartford County Grievance Committee from 1997 through 2005 and has been an active participant in the Fact-Finder and Attorney Trial Referee programs for the Connecticut Superior Court.



MARINA F. CUNNINGHAM

Firm: McCormick, Paulding & Huber LLP Law School & Year: University of Connecticut School

of Law

College: Columbia University
Current Job Title: Patent Attorney
Responsibilities: Protect domestic
and international clients' Intellectual
Property rights in the United States and
worldwide.

Career Highlights: Attorney Cunningham was among the first female patent attorneys in the male-dominated field of Intellectual Property law. She previously served as in-house counsel for United Technologies Corp.

Distinction in Practice: Guest lecturer at UConn law clinic. Authored several articles on intellectual property for publication in the *Connecticut Law Tribune*. Guest speaker at Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce.

Public Service: Co-chair of Technology and Intellectual Property Committee of Hartford County Bar Association. Member of Nominating Committee of the Connecticut Patent Law Association. Member of Advisory Board for Intellec-

tual Property Law Clinic for University of Connecticut.



PAMELA CURBELO

Firm: Cantor Colburn LLP

Age: 42 **Law School:** Western New England College

School of Law (1991)

College: Worcester Polytechnic Insti-

tute

Current Job Title: Partner

Responsibilities: As partner and cochair of the Chemical, Material and Life Sciences Department, Attorney Curbelo focuses largely on international patent activity, working with international and domestic clients and hundreds of foreign associates in advanced technologies, including alternative energies, plastics, chemicals, and environmentally friendly automotive systems and fuels. She makes sure that new associates know how to draft and prosecute new patent applications, perform patent searches and clearances, and to advise and correspond with clients.

Career Highlights: In 2007, Curbelo was a key player in retaining a major client after acquisition by a multi-billion dollar global conglomerate with interests in chemicals, fertilizers, plastics, and metals. She oversaw every aspect of integrating the new company's thousands of international applications and numerous foreign associates. In another instance, she negotiated research agreements between a German university and U.S. company, developing formal agreements that prioritized technologies and set up corresponding levels of rights and exclusivities.

Distinction in Practice: Curbelo frequently presents lectures and workshops to clients on patent law issues that help them manage and protect their intellectual property.

Public Service: She is an active member of the Connecticut Patent Law Association, the Connecticut Intellectual Property Law Association, the American Intellectual Property Law Association, and the Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI). She has also coached her young children's soccer, baseball, and softball teams.

RENÉE M. DAILEY

Firm: Bracewell & Giuliani, LLP

Age: 34

Law School: University of Connecticut

School of Law (1999)

College: University of Connecticut

(1995)

Current Job Title: Associate

Responsibilities: Attorney Dailey is a member of the firm's Financial Restructuring team. Her practice focuses on representation of hedge funds and institutional investors in complex out-of-court restructurings and in-court proceedings both in the U.S. and internationally. She also represents debtor-in-possession lenders in chapter 11 cases.

Distinction in Practice: Dailey recently spent a month in Australia representing noteholders in restructuring discussions involving Centro, one of the world's largest shopping mall developers and owners. She has also worked for other Australian clients, including the noteholders of Henry Walker Eltin, a major international mining contractor; bondholders of Pasminco, the world's largest zinc producer; and distressed debt investors in the Australian insolvency proceedings for Sons of Gwalia, the world's largest producer of tantalum and lithium. She also played a leading role representing second lien lenders of Remy International, recognized by the International Financial Law Review as the 2007 Restructuring Deal of the Year. Other Notables: Dailey serves as coteacher of a University of Connecticut School of Law course on International Comparative Corporate Insolvency Law. Public Service: Dailey has served as pro bono counsel representing Chapter 11 debtors in filing bankruptcy petitions. She also recently served as a member of the team providing pro bono representation of a criminal death penalty defendant. And she was instrumental in the creation and development of the Bracewell & Giuliani Annual Social Awareness breakfast.

JEAN M. D'AQUILA

Firm: D'Aquila & Brooks, LLC

Age: 49

Law School: University of Connecticut

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College: University of Connecticut **Current Job Title:** Partner