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Steven E. Pegalis named to *Super Lawyers* three consecutive years



MINNEAPOLIS — Nov. 5, 2009: Minneapolis-based Law & Politics, publishers of [Super Lawyers](#) magazines, announced that Lake Success, N.Y., medical malpractice plaintiff attorney [Steven Pegalis](#) has been named to the 2009 edition of *New York Metro Super Lawyers*. Each year, only 5 percent of the lawyers in the state receive this honor.

"In the highly competitive practice area of plaintiff's medical malpractice, Steven Pegalis stands out as highly regarded by his peers," says Bill White, publisher of *Super Lawyers* and *Law & Politics* magazines.

Pegalis is senior partner and founder of Pegalis & Erickson, LLC. As a medical malpractice trial lawyer, he focuses on patient safety and seeking justice for children with disabilities.

He has won many precedent-setting jury verdicts for children. One of his landmark cases in 1998 involved winning a malpractice suit for the amount of \$116 million against the New York City Health and Hospital Corp. At that time, it was the second highest malpractice verdict in the country.

Pegalis has been recognized for his dedication to helping children who have been victims of medical malpractice. In 2007, he was awarded the New York Law School Lifetime Commitment Award. In 2003, he was given the Stanley Lamm Institute for Child Neurology and Occupational Medicine Community Service Award.

Not only does Pegalis dedicate much of his time to community service, he is also a frequent speaker. He has lectured extensively on medical-legal issues, such as "Cross Examination of Defendant's Pediatric Neurologist" and "Failure to Diagnose Breast Cancer: The Trial." Pegalis is also author of the first three volumes of *American Law of Medical Malpractice*.

Pegalis is admitted to practice in New York State, the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. His memberships include the American Board of Trial Advocacy, American Association for Justice, the National Board of Trial Advocacy and New York State Trial Lawyers Association. In addition to being an adjunct professor of law at New York Law School, he is an associate in law of the American College of Legal Medicine. He is also a member New York Law School's board of trustees.

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The list of attorneys selected to New York Metro Super Lawyers appears in the October issue of New York Super Lawyers Metro Edition and the Oct. 4, 2009 issue of the New York Times magazine.

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"In law school, if you finish in the top 10 percent of your class, you graduate with honors and it's a big deal," says Bill White, publisher of Super Lawyers and Law & Politics magazines. "But with Super Lawyers, we select only five percent of the entire profession. These lawyers represent the cream of the crop."

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