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Attorney Janine Bauer Helps Client Preserve History and Open Space



Janine Bauer

On October 20, 2011, Janine G. Bauer, Esq. won a significant case before the Jersey City Zoning Board of Adjustment, when the commissioners voted 5-0 to reject an application to demolish a historic structure on the New Jersey Register of Historic places, which had also been landmarked by the City.

The contentious hearing lasted 14 months and involved testimony by planners, architects, engineers and historic preservation experts. The structure, known as the Pennsylvania RR Harsimus Stem Embankment, is a massive sandstone retaining wall that held up a railroad that brought cargo from America's heartland

to the Jersey City waterfront, where it was barged to New York City and beyond. Szaferman Lakind's client is a local preservation coalition, seeking to protect the Embankment, and to convert it to a linear park with a "High Line" type pedestrian trail on it. For more information about the structure, visit www.embankment.org. The trail would become part of the East Coast Greenway: www.greenway.org. The Zoning Board members first voted that it was not a commercial property. They further voted that the development companies had not proven the criteria under the City demolition ordinance, and that they had not made every reasonable effort to provide a compatible use for the Embankment. As a result of Janine's efforts the historic embankment will not be demolished.

Bob Lytle Appointed As Statewide Chair of Committee on Character

Bob Lytle was recently appointed by the New Jersey Supreme Court to act as the Statewide Chairperson for the Committee on Character. The purpose and duty of the Committee on Character is to determine the fitness to practice law of each candidate for admission to the New Jersey Bar. Members of the Committee on Character, which consists of forty-nine reviewing attorneys, review the applications of each candidate seeking admission to the Bar. Based upon their review, the Committee on Character either certifies the Bar candidate's fitness to practice, recommends conditional

admission or recommends that admission be withheld. In fulfilling its mission, the Committee promotes the public interest and protects the integrity of the legal profession by ensuring that each Bar candidate demonstrates that he or she possesses the requisite character to practice law in this State.



Robert Lytle

Michael Paglione Settles Case Against Montgomery Township For \$3.575 Million

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a handicap lift but the driver believed it was broken because she did not know how to operate it. The favorable resolution of this case comes after Michael successfully concluded three other cases this year totalling more than \$2 million dollars.

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