Hon. Lisa K. Wexler

Westport-Weston Probate Judge 21 Poplar Plain Road Westport, CT 06880 w: (203) 341-1100 <u>lwexler@ctprobate.gov</u> lisawexlerlaw@gmail.com

JUDICIAL:

WESTPORT/WESTON PROBATE JUDGE 2013- Present. Re-elected to serve through 2026.

Decided thousands of matters, including resolution of disputes regarding estate assets, will contests, construction of trusts, compromises of claims, contracts, conservatorships, involuntary commitments, DNR hearings, spousal support, elective share, paternity contests and disputes regarding estate and trust accountings, as well as custody and programming issues involving intellectually disabled persons, removal of guardians and terminations of parental rights. Gave CLE presentations to Probate Court judges and clerks. Chair of Public Information Committee for the CT Probate Assembly.

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

Mediated to settlement a number and variety of disputes within the Connecticut Probate system. Completed 40-hour course in Mediation, Quinnipiac School of Law, Fall, 2017. Mediation Skills for Probate Judges; Quinnipiac School of Law, March, 2016.

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE: Arbitrate fee disputes for the Connecticut Bar Association.

EDUCATION:

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D. 1984 Honors: American Jurisprudence Award for Excellence in Constitutional Law

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, B.A. 1981

Honors: Political Science, Dean's List All Semesters

LEGAL EXPERIENCE: Admitted to Bars of States of NY and CT, Federal Court

LISA K. WEXLER, ESQ.: General law practice for over 35 years, with a principal concentration in wills, probate, trusts and estates, real estate, contracts, commercial leasing and general corporate work. Firm handled personal injury and matrimonial matters. Appeared in Stamford, Bridgeport and Danbury Superior courts as well as Connecticut Probate courts and various New York Surrogates courts. Handled matters alleging undue influence and fraud. Represented small and multi-million dollar estates.

MILBANK, TWEED, HADLEY AND McCLOY, New York, NY 1984-1986

Associate Attorney, Real estate, corporate and institutional leasing departments. Commercial leases, residential closings, complex corporate transactions. Wills and trusts.

NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL REAL ESTATE FINANCE BUREAU,

New York, NY- Reviewed offering plans for real estate syndications, newly constructed cooperatives and condominiums.

PUBLIC SERVICE POSITIONS:

- 1. Legislative Appointment as Special Assignment Probate Judge for State of Connecticut
- 2. CT Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee JJPOC, Legislative Appt, 2014-2018
- 3. Westport Zoning Board of Appeals, Elected, 1999-2003
- 4. Westport Planning and Zoning Commission, Appointed, 1997-1999

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS:

- 1. Connecticut Probate Judges Association, Board Member, Executive Committee
- 2. Jeffrey Modell Foundation for Primary Immunodeficiency Disease
- 3. Jane Doe No More, Advisory Board Member
- 4. Trustee, Kiwanis of Weston Foundation
- 5. Co-Founder, Women in Power, CT, creating informational events for women in transition
- 6. Former Trustee of Congregation Rodeph Sholom, Bridgeport, CT
- 7. Former Trustee of JCC of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT
- 8. Former Trustee for JCC of Norwalk, Westport, Weston and Wilton

HONORS and AWARDS:

Liberty Bell Award from Greater Bridgeport Bar Assn; CAFAP, Connecticut Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents, Community Media Partner Award; ATHENA Award Finalist; GRACIE Award for Best News/Talk Show; Best of Gold Coast Award for Lisa Wexler Show, Best of Westchester Award for Lisa Wexler Show; CT Press Award; CT Press Club Awards, National Federation of Press Women Award for Best Newscast

<u>RADIO and TV</u>: Creator, Host and Executive Producer of "The Lisa Wexler" Radio Show, a talk radio show broadcasting weekdays daily from 10AM to Noon EST on AM 600 WICC, broadcasting continually on various suburban stations since 2006. Many guest commentator appearances on CNN, Fox, NBC, local and national shows.

<u>AUTHOR, COLUMNIST:</u> Co-Wrote Award-Winning "Secrets of a Jewish Mother" with mother Gloria Kamen and sister Jill Zarin (Penguin/Dutton 2010). Paperback, 2011. Book has been translated into Japanese, Chinese and Russian. Op-eds published in various newspapers.

SCIENCE AWARD PROGRAM: 2012-2019; Together with Acorda Therapeutics, established the Acorda Scientific Excellence Award (the "ASEA"), an award recognizing outstanding STEM achievement in high school students. ASEA winners are interviewed on a weekly radio program hosted by Lisa Wexler, who is also a judge on the panel.

LANGUAGES: English. Proficient in Spanish.

PERSONAL: Married to William A. Wexler since 1982, mom of Jonathan, Joanna and Yotam, pet parent to adorable bichons Shaina and Yofi. Westport resident since 1989.