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Day Pitney Partner Elizabeth Alquist Selected as a Winner for Hartford Business Journal's 2022 Women in Business Awards

The *Hartford Business Journal* has selected Elizabeth "Beth" Alquist, a trial lawyer in the Intellectual Property group at Day Pitney LLP's Hartford office, as a winner for their Top 25 Women in Business Awards 2022. Alquist, also chair of the firm's Litigation Department, will be honored at the Top 25 Women In Business Awards 2022 dinner on May 4 at the Farmington Garden in Farmington, CT.

Hartford Business Journal's Women in Business awards recognize women in Hartford who lead organizations, work in a range of industries, overcome obstacles and achieve milestones. The winners are selected from nominees submitted by readers and chosen by a panel of independent judges. Twenty-five women are honored each year. Their stories of success showcase the benefits of seeking out strong mentors, lessons in overcoming workplace challenges, focused professional development and building teams that focus on camaraderie and common goals.

"Beth is a brilliant advocate for her clients, her team, and for making positive changes at the firm," said Day Pitney's Managing Partner Thomas Goldberg. "She always makes herself available to her colleagues and never backs down when she feels changes are needed, especially when it means fostering the next generation of attorneys."

From her days as a Division I Academic All-American Basketball player to becoming a prominent trial attorney, Alquist has long been a standout on and in the court. She built her practice from scratch in what was a newly formed Intellectual Property group. She represents diverse clients in patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, noncompetition and technology-related disputes in federal and state courts, as well as before the International Trade Commission, Patent Trial and Appeal Board, and the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Alquist has held a number of leadership positions at Day Pitney, including serving as a member of the firm's 8-person Executive Board and as the first female chair of its Intellectual Property and Technology group. She also co-founded the firm's women's initiative, Women Working Together (WWT®), and is past chair of both the firm's WWT® and Diversity Committees. In these roles, Alquist has been an ardent advocate on behalf of women, including helping to shape the firm's parental leave and flextime policies, and ensuring equal pay.

Alquist earned her J.D. with High Honors from the University of Connecticut School of Law and her B.A., magna cum laude, from Mount Saint Mary's College. After law school, she served as law clerk to The Honorable Robert J. Callahan, Connecticut Supreme Court, 1994-1995. Alquist is a member of the International Trademark Association (INTA), the Judge Janet Bond Arterton American Inn of Court, and is a James F. Coopers Life Fellow, Connecticut Bar Foundation.

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