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Barbara Freedman Wand Selected as Recipient of the Boston Estate Planning Council Excellence Award

Boston, Mass., April 20, 2016 - Day Pitney LLP is pleased to announce that Individual Clients Department partner Barbara Freedman Wand has been selected as the recipient of the 2016 Boston Estate Planning Council Excellence Award. The Boston Estate Planning Council (BEPC) is a multi-disciplinary community of over 700 estate and wealth planning professionals. The award recognizes Freedman Wand's significant contributions to the estate planning profession, and is the highest honor that BEPC can bestow upon a member of the estate planning community. The award will be presented at the BEPC Annual Gala on May 26, 2016 at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston.

"I am honored to receive this award from my peers and proud to have been recognized for my professional accomplishments and service to the community," said Freedman Wand.

Freedman Wand advises clients on sophisticated estate planning and the development and implementation of philanthropic goals. She also counsels private foundations and public charities on governance, compliance and planned giving programs. She is certified as an Accredited Estate Planner (AEP) by the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils, and she is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel.

Freedman Wand is a sought-after speaker, mentor, well-regarded author and she has served in numerous professional leadership positions. Freedman Wand also has substantial involvement in community betterment and philanthropic organizations. She is Chair of the Professional Advisors Committee at The Boston Foundation, which counsels the Foundation as it establishes, develops and maintains strong working relationships with the members of Greater Boston's advisor community. Recently, she was elected to the seven-member Executive Board of Day Pitney.

Freedman Wand has been very active in the larger legal community, with a particular interest in fostering attorney development. She served as a member of the Massachusetts Women's Bar Association's Employment Issues Committee, which issued a significant report, "More Than Part-Time: The Effects of Reduced Hours Arrangements on the Retention, Recruitment and Success of Women Attorneys in Law Firms." This report garnered national and international attention and has been used as a guide for improving attorney advancement.

Freedman Wand has also been selected as a Top Woman of Law by the *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* for her accomplishments in the legal field as a pioneer, trailblazer and role model.



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