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Patricia Pierce Selected for Inclusion in *2014 Best Lawyers in America*



PHILADELPHIA, PA. November 14, 2013: The law firm of Greenblatt, Pierce, Engle, Funt & Flores is pleased to announce that partner Patricia V. Pierce was selected by her peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2014. She has received this honor every year since 1995.

Patricia heads the Employment and Complex Litigation Practice at the firm. She represents employees and consumers in individual, class and collective civil litigation in employment, civil rights and consumer protection matters. In addition, Patricia provides advice, training and representation to select small businesses and non-profit corporations in EEO and personnel matters. She is a frequent author and lecturer for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and the National Employment Lawyers Association (NELA). She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Defender Association of Philadelphia and is the former President of the Board of Directors of Women Organized against Rape.

Patricia began her legal career as a criminal lawyer with the Defender Association of Philadelphia, where she represented indigent criminal defendants in matters ranging from retail theft to rape and attempted murder. She has remained committed to advocating for the rights of others, having represented victims of sexual assaults, police abuse, workplace discrimination and civil rights violations. Among her career highlights, Patricia secured a \$2.5 million verdict on behalf of a sales manager who was sexually harassed at work; a \$300,000 verdict for a client who was subjected to ethnic harassment; and with Greenblatt, Pierce, Funt & Flores criminal defense lawyer James Funt, a \$4 million verdict against the University of Pennsylvania on behalf of a former School of Dental Medicine faculty member; as well as numerous other notable verdicts and settlements. Patricia received her undergraduate and law degrees from Rutgers College of Arts & Sciences (B.A. 1973, *magna cum laude*) and Rutgers School of Law (J.D. 1976, *magna cum laude*), respectively.

Founded over 20 years ago as an aggressive criminal defense law practice, Greenblatt, Pierce, Engle, Funt & Flores (GPEFF) is an established, full-service law firm with experienced attorneys skilled in all areas of criminal, employment, civil and family law. The firm has offices in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. For more information on the firm or its attorneys, please see www.gpeff.com.

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