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Two Lake Success, NY Attorneys Being Honored for Service



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November 10, 2016, Lake Success, NY – The law firm of Pegalis and Erickson, LLC is very proud to announce that two of our attorneys are being honored for their dedication to Long Island communities. Our partner, [James B. Baydar, Esq.](#) is being presented with a Leadership in Law award from the Long Island Business News (LIBN), and [Gary M. Nielsen, Esq.](#) is accepting the 2016 Champions for Families Award from RotaCare NY.

The [Leadership in Law Award](#) recognizes the leadership James B. Baydar, Esq. has demonstrated in the legal profession and the larger community, as having a positive impact on Long Island, NY. Recipients of this LIBN award demonstrate outstanding achievements, involvement in their profession, and support of the community and mentoring. Baydar advocates for clients through complex and contentious court proceedings, in the years following successful resolution of their cases. He provides legal counsel on preserving and best utilizing clients' verdict awards and settlement funds to pay for their lifetime care. Baydar has nearly 30 years of medical malpractice litigation cases concerning obstetrical and gynecological, cancers, neurological, and orthopedic issues, and including pre and post-trial proceedings. His representation of clients has resulted in millions of dollars of recovery in settlements and verdicts. Baydar serves on the board of directors of *The WE CARE Fund* of Nassau County Bar Association, which grants donations to charities for Long Islander's in need. Additionally, Baydar volunteers as a Trustee for the Village of Plandome Manor, NY. *The Leadership in Law awards event is Thursday, November 17, at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, NY.*

Gary Nielsen, Esq. will be honored with the Annual [Champions for Families Award by RotaCare NY](#), a nonprofit serving uninsured Long Islanders living in poverty, with free health care screenings, exams, and medications by an all-volunteer crew of healthcare professionals. Nielsen is an attorney with more than 30 years of experience as a trial and appellate advocate, and has represented hundreds of clients, including many victims of avoidable medical errors. He has obtained millions of dollars in settlements for injured plaintiffs, and tried medical malpractice cases in several states. He maintains the highest "AV" rating from *Martindale Hubbell* and has since 1999, in peer recognition of his legal ability, ethics, judgment and experience. Nielsen serves on the board of directors of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association, has been profiled in the Long Island Business News as a prominent medical malpractice lawyer, and is recognized on New York Super Lawyers® List. *The Champions for Families event is Thursday, November 17, in Garden City at the Mercer School of Theology.*

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