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Annamarie Bondi-Stoddard, Esq. is managing partner at Pegalis Law Group, LLC in Lake Success. She represents patients in medical negligence cases focusing on women's health issues, children's birth injuries, cancers, surgical and neurosurgical cases, and medical specialty cases where negligence is involved.

Over the last 30 years, Bondi-Stoddard has developed an encyclopedia-like knowledge of medical terms, and is leading advocate of being a proactive patient. She lectures on patient safety and medical malpractice for community groups and law industry professionals.

During the pandemic and shutdown of courts, Bondi-Stoddard spends much time reassuring her clients as to what they can expect going forward.

"The delays which we are experiencing are likely going to add years to litigation, which already is a lengthy process," she said. "Presently, there is no timetable for the resumption of civil jury trials and the discovery process is significantly delayed, as attorneys and the courts attempt to develop a new normal for virtual court appearances and depositions."

"Clients and their families are already dealing with the financial burdens associated with medical expenses, loss of employment due to injuries, and caring for loved ones," Bondi-Stoddard noted. "They want to know when they will have their day in court. Unfortunately, that question cannot be answered with any certainty, other than to reassure them that we are doing everything we can to achieve the justice they seek."

Bondi-Stoddard was named the 2020 "Lawyer of the Year" on Long Island by U.S. News-Best Lawyers® for Plaintiffs Medical Malprac-



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tice. In addition, she is one of only 5 percent of all U.S. attorneys to be listed in Best Lawyers®, and has been named to that list every year since 2007.

She has been recognized as one of the New York Metro Super Lawyers® List for 13 contin-

uous years.

Bondi-Stoddard has served as an officer on the New York State Trial Lawyers executive board, as well as dean of the New York State Trial Lawyers Institute. The Long Island Press honored her with its "Long Island Power Women in Business" Award in 2019 and 2018. She was also recently named a Top Women in Law by Hofstra University, and awarded the Corporate Leadership Recognition Award from United Cerebral Palsy of Nassau.

She supports the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women Movement. She has written extensively on medical malpractice in publications such as the Long Island Corridor Journal of Strategic Alliances, and The New York Law Journal.

Bondi-Stoddard is a member of New York State Trial Lawyers Association, Nassau-Suffolk Trial Lawyers Association, Nassau County Bar Association, Nassau County Women's Bar Association, the American Association for Justice, and the New York State and New York County Bar Associations.

Bondi-Stoddard earned a law degree from Boston University, and an undergraduate degree from Seton Hall University as a summa cum laude, with departmental honors.

Pegalis Law Group, LLC represents people suffering as a result of medical errors and catastrophic personal injury. The firm obtains justice for its clients after hospitals, doctors, medical personnel, construction companies, or automobile drivers commit avoidable errors that cause its clients life-altering harm. The firm is known for discovering avoidable negligent acts even in the most complex cases. It continues to obtain some of the largest verdicts and settlements in New York State history for victims of negligence and substandard care.