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Profile

The focus of Shelley's legal career was in the representation of colleges and universities, independent and charter schools, social service agencies, cultural organizations and nonprofit entities. She has been practicing law for more than 40 years.

Shelley began her legal career in the labor department of Proskauer Rose, LLP, and served for a number of years as General Counsel and Secretary at Pratt Institute in New York.

Shelley represented higher education institutions in the capacity of primary outside counsel or performing specific work in defined areas. Her institutions include traditional and specialized undergraduate, professional and graduate institutions. She counseled them with regard to labor and employment matters, collective bargaining, faculty issues, student matters, discrimination, compliance, corporate transactional projects, governance and acquiring and maintaining New York State regulatory authority and accreditation. Shelley worked extensively with charter schools and charter networks, numerous independent schools and social service providers on regulatory, educational, labor and corporate matters. She counseled cultural institutions, nonprofit entities and foundations on issues dealing with regulatory oversight, educational activities and programs for minors.

Shelley served on the NACUA Board of Directors, NACUA committees, as Co-coordinator of the NYNACUA Affinity Group for more than 25 years, and has presented at numerous NACUA Annual Conferences and at NACUA CLE meetings. She regularly teaches at the NACUA Lawyers New To Higher Education sessions.

Shelley has served as a mediator for the United States District Court, Southern District of New York and she served previously as an Assistant Counsel for the New York State Governor's Judicial Screening Committee.

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in:
 - *Martindale-Hubbell*®, AV Preeminent Rated
- National Association of College and University Attorneys Distinguished Service Award, 2018
- National Association of College and University Attorneys, Co-Coordinator of NYNACUA Affinity Group; Past Chair, Publications Committee

Education

- New York Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*)
- Rutgers University (Ed.D.)
- University of Wisconsin-Madison (B.A.)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York

Practices

- Higher Education

- NY Nonprofit Coordinating Committee (NPCC) Government Relations Committee
- Managing Editor, *New York Law School Law Review*

Representative Presentations

- Panel Member, NLRB Update: Critical Information and Practical Guidelines for 2016, National Association of College and University Attorneys 2016 CLE Workshop, March 30, 2016
- The "New" NLRB: (Almost) One Year Later, National Association of College and University Attorneys Annual Conference, June 24, 2014

Representative Publications

- Kehl, Shelley Sanders and Richard B. Crockett-Editors, "Accommodating Students With Learning and Emotional Disabilities: A Legal Compendium," NACUA, 1996

Other Activities

- Board of Trustees, Blue Hill Public Library
- Past Chair, Board of Directors, Marine Environmental Research Institute
- Past Member, Board of Directors, National Association of College and University Attorneys
- Past Member, New York City Bar Association Education Committee, NonProfit Committee and Task Force on the Status of Women Attorneys
- Professor (Adjunct) New York University
- Co-Chair, Yale College Parents Fund, Class of 2010
- Past Council Member, Kollegewidgwok Yacht Club, Blue Hill, Maine