

WBASNY – AMICUS STATEMENT INSERT

The **Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York** (“WBASNY”) is the second largest statewide bar association in New York and one of the largest women’s bar associations in the United States. Its more 4,200 members in its twenty chapters across New York State^x include esteemed jurists, academics, and attorneys who practice in every area of the law, including appellate, litigation, education, employment, ERISA, health, reproductive rights, constitutional, commercial, criminal, and civil rights. WBASNY is dedicated to fair and equal administration of justice. WBASNY has participated as an *amicus curiae* in state and federal cases at every level, including those involving civil rights, sex discrimination, sexual assault, sexual harassment, and the right to fair and equal treatment under the law, and it stands as a vanguard for the equal rights of women, minorities, LGBT, and all persons.

^x WBASNY’s affiliated organizations consist of twenty regional chapters, some of which are separately incorporated, plus nine IRC 501(c)(3) charitable corporations that are foundations and/or legal clinics. Its earliest current chapter was founded in 1918, a year before women’s right to vote was ratified in the United States. Its current affiliates are: *Chapters* – Adirondack Women’s Bar Association; The Bronx Women’s Bar Association, Inc.; Brooklyn Women’s Bar Association, Inc.; Capital District Women’s Bar Association; Central New York Women’s Bar Association; Del-Chen-O Women’s Bar Association, Finger Lakes Women’s Bar Association; Greater Rochester Association for Women Attorneys; Mid-Hudson

Women's Bar Association; Mid- York Women's Bar Association; Nassau County Women's Bar Association; New York Women's Bar Association; Queens County Women's Bar Association; Rockland County Women's Bar Association; Staten Island Women's Bar Association; The Suffolk County Women's Bar Association; Thousand Islands Women's Bar Association; Westchester Women's Bar Association; Western New York Women's Bar Association; and Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties. *Charitable Foundations & Legal Clinic* – Women's Bar Association of the State of New York Foundation, Inc.; Brooklyn Women's Bar Foundation, Inc.; Capital District Women's Bar Association Legal Project Inc.; Nassau County Women's Bar Association Foundation, Inc.; New York Women's Bar Association Foundation, Inc.; Queens County Women's Bar Foundation; Westchester Women's Bar Association Foundation, Inc.; and The Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties Foundation, Inc. (*Note: No members of WBASNY or its affiliates who are judges or court personnel participated in WBASNY's amicus curia vote in this matter.*)