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After completing law school and serving a three-year term as a law clerk in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Mr. Gismondi entered private practice in Pittsburgh. Since that time, he has chosen to limit his practice to only one area of the law – helping victims and their families in personal injury litigation. Attorney Gismondi has experience in handling all types of injury claims including those resulting from automobile accidents, medical malpractice, airplane accidents, consumer products, on-the-job incidents, and a variety of other circumstances. In a national rating of lawyers' abilities, the nation's oldest and most recognized reference source on lawyers, Martindale-Hubbe, gives Mr. Gismondi an A/V rating. Attorney Gismondi has been chosen by his peers for many leadership positions in professional organizations. In 1995, he was selected as President of the Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association. He is the Chairman of the Medical Malpractice Section of the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association. He is also an invited member of the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County. Mr. Gismondi is one of the state's best-known speakers at conferences and seminars designed to teach other lawyers about personal injury law. He has been invited to speak at over 100 such events throughout Pennsylvania. In addition to his full time practice of law, Mr. Gismondi serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Pittsburgh where he teaches Trial Advocacy. This course, which he conducts one evening a week, is designed to teach law students how to be effective courtroom attorneys.

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Terry Hyman is a senior member of Angino & Rovner, P.C. in Harrisburg PA. He received a B.S. in chemistry from the University of Pittsburgh in 1968. He received his J.D. from Dickinson School of Law in 1982, where he graduated cum laude and received both the Corpus Juris and Conrad Falvello Awards. He also holds a Masters of Science Education from Temple University. He has served on PaTLA's Board of Governors for ten years, and has been Chairman of the Amicus Curiae Committee for two terms. He is the 2000 winner of PaTLA's George F. Douglas Amicus Curiae Award. Most of his work is dedicated to Medical Malpractice and Product Liability cases.

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Ms. Shepherd is a partner in the law firm of Feldman Shepherd Wohlgelernter & Tanner with offices in Philadelphia and New Jersey. Her practice is limited to major civil litigation involving primarily medical negligence and related claims. She graduated from the Syracuse University College of Law in 1978. Since that time she has been a member of the Board of Governors of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Chair of its Professional Negligence Section, member of the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association and served as its President in 1997-1998. She has also served as President of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association. She is also a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates, was the chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Civil Litigation Section for 1995 – 1996, is a past member of the Philadelphia Bar Association Board of Governors, and was co-chair of the Women in the Progression Committee. She was Chairperson of Hearing Committee 1.04 of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Women's Law Project and the Homeless Advocacy Project. She has written and lectured frequently for various trial lawyer associations regarding medical negligence and trial practice.