# Chambers USA WOMEN IN LAW AWARDS 2012

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## Special Awards

#### OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION (IN-HOUSE) LAWYER OF THE YEAR



#### Sara E. Moss, Estée Lauder

Sara Moss is Executive Vice President and General Counsel of The Estée Lauder Companies. She is responsible for the worldwide legal functions for the Company and its subsidiaries.

Ms Moss has been a pioneer throughout her legal career. She was one of the first women federal prosecutors in New York, a senior law firm partner and one of a handful of women general counsel at Fortune 500 companies. In all of these positions, Sara Moss has been a leader in promoting women and diversity. At Estée Lauder, over half of the attorneys are women and over a quarter of her employees are minority. Ms. Moss has received many awards for her commitment to women and diversity.

Ms Moss's leadership in law and business is well recognized. She serves on the Board of Trustees of New York University Law School, the Legal Aid Society and other non-profit Boards. Since 2002 she has participated in Fortune Magazine's Most Powerful Women in Business Summit.

#### In-House Counsel Up & Coming Lawyer of the Year



# Laurie Nicole Robinson, CBS Corporation

Laurie Nicole Robinson serves as the Senior Vice President and Assistant General Counsel of CBS Corporation, where she reports directly to the company's Executive Vice President and General Counsel. In this role, Ms Robinson assumes executive and managerial responsibilities for corporate interface with all CBS business unit legal divisions.

Ms Robinson has a quarterly column on diversity in Inside Counsel magazine, and contributes to the CBS Corporation Diversity Blog. In addition, she is a popular

and highly sought-after speaker. She has presented at the American Bar Association, the Inside Counsel Super Conference, the National Bar Association and the Minority Corporate Counsel Association.

In addition to her role at CBS Corporation, Ms Robinson is also the founder and CEO of Corporate Counsel Women of Color®, a non-profit professional organization that she created in 2004 to advance women of color attorneys and to foster diversity in the legal profession. The organization has over 2,600 members worldwide.

## OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION (PRIVATE PRACTICE) LAWYER OF THE YEAR



# Candace Krugman Beinecke, Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP

Throughout her career Candace Beinecke has been a trailblazer and role model for women lawyers. Starting at a time when female M&A/Corporate Governance partners were rare, she built a successful practice representing blue chip companies.

In 1999, she achieved another first: becoming the first woman to Chair a leading New York-based law firm. As Chair of Hughes Hubbard, she has extended the firm's long commitment to diversity and to providing opportunities for women. The firm now boasts one of the highest ratios of female equity partners in the United States. Under Ms Beinecke's leadership, Hughes Hubbard has enjoyed a period of great success. The firm represents companies in some of today's most high profile matters and ranks at the top of the AmLaw's A-List of the nation's elite law firms.

Ms Beinecke continues to expand the presence of women in leadership by serving on the boards of several prestigious corporate and non-profit organizations.