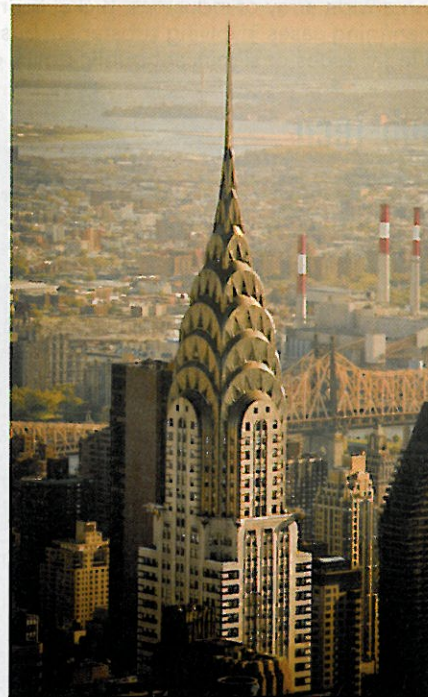


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2010 EDITION

THE GUIDE TO THE TOP ATTORNEYS IN
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It's inevitable—at some point in your life, you're going to need a lawyer, and you won't always be able to predict when that need will arise. Whether you're starting a business or selling one, getting married or divorced, patenting your invention, litigating a contract, or buying a home—there is a talented and highly competent attorney listed in this guide who can help. Perhaps you or a family member is involved in an accident or accused of a crime. These are all serious matters for which you need first-rate legal representation.

The New York Area's Best Lawyers® helps take the mystery out of locating a high-quality advocate to protect you, your family, your business and all other assets.

The exceptional attorneys listed in this guide are only those attorneys listed in *The Best Lawyers in America®*. These attorneys were nominated by and voted in by their peers.

Lawyers cannot buy their way into this guide. They must earn a spot through exemplary legal work that attracts the notice of their colleagues. To remain on the list, they must be at the top of their game, year after year. Best Lawyers, the leading referral list in the legal profession, and ALM, the nation's leading legal journalism and information company, have teamed up to provide this invaluable resource for readers, whatever your legal needs may be. Lawyers in this guide are arranged by their legal specialty—from Administrative Law to Workers' Compensation Law—which makes it easy to find the professional advice you need.

Keep this comprehensive guide available for those times when you need a first-rate advocate to assist you. The lawyers listed in *The New York Area's Best Lawyers* are eager to help.

METHODOLOGY

This list is excerpted from the 2010 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America®*, the preeminent referral guide to the legal profession in the United States. Published for more than a quarter of a century, Best Lawyers® lists attorneys in 79 specialties, representing all 50 states and the District of Columbia, who have been chosen through an exhaustive survey in which thousands of the nation's top lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The 2010 edition of Best Lawyers, which was published in November 2009, is based on more than 2.8 million evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

The method used to compile Best Lawyers remains unchanged since the first edition was compiled more than 26 years ago. Lawyers are chosen for inclusion based solely on a vote of their peers. Listings cannot be bought, and no purchase is required to be included. In this regard, Best Lawyers remains the gold standard of reliability and integrity in lawyer ratings.

The nomination pool for the 2010 edition consisted of all lawyers whose names appeared in the previous edition of Best Lawyers, lawyers who were nominated since the previous survey, and new nominees solicited from listed attorneys. In general, lawyers were asked to vote only on nominees in their own specialty in their own jurisdiction. Lawyers in closely related specialties were asked to vote across specialties, as were lawyers in smaller jurisdictions. Where specialties are national or international in nature, lawyers were asked to vote nationally as well as locally. Voting lawyers were also given an opportunity to offer more detailed comments on nominees.

Voting lawyers were provided this general guideline for determining if a nominee should be listed: "If you had a close friend or relative who needed a real estate lawyer (for example), and you could not handle the case yourself, to whom would you refer them?" All votes and comments were solicited with a guarantee of confidentiality—a critical factor in the viability and validity of Best Lawyers surveys. To ensure the rigor of the selection process, lawyers were urged to use only their highest standards when voting, and to evaluate each nominee based only on his or her individual merits. The additional comments were used to make more accurate comparisons between voting patterns and weight votes accordingly. Best Lawyers uses various methodological tools to identify and correct for anomalies in both the nomination and voting process.

Ultimately, of course, a lawyer's inclusion is based on the subjective judgments of his or her fellow attorneys. While it is true that the lists may at times disproportionately reward visibility or popularity, the breadth of the survey, the candor of the respondents, and the sophistication of the polling methodology largely correct for any biases. For all these reasons, Best Lawyers lists continue to represent the most reliable, accurate and useful guide to the legal profession in the United States.

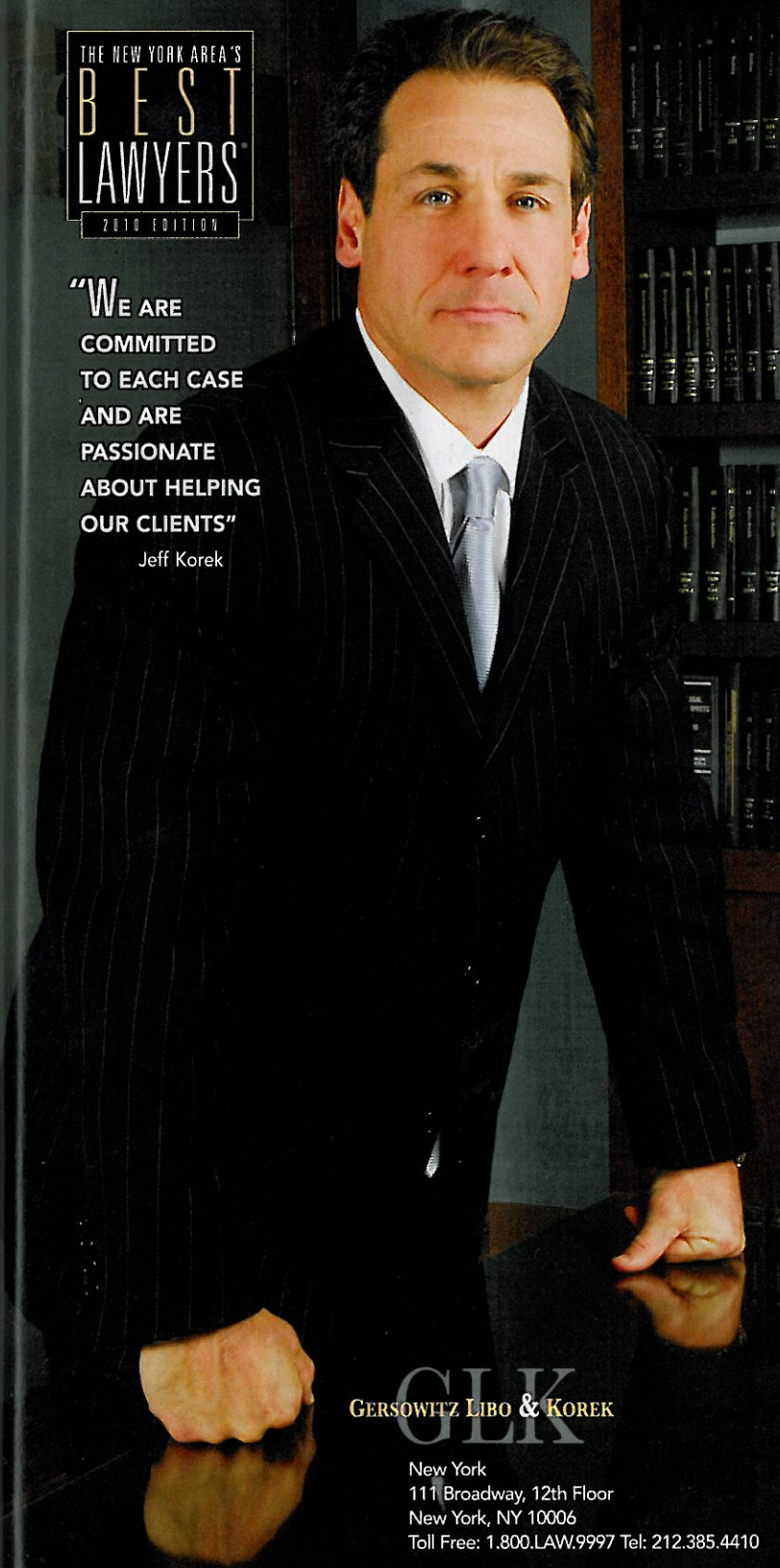
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SKILL BEGETS SUCCESS at Gersowitz Libo & Korek, the boutique personal injury firm that has added two notable verdicts to its win column over the past summer: a \$5 million verdict for a former CEO who sustained serious head trauma and ensuing life-altering complications when the motor vehicle he was riding in was rear-ended by a tour bus, and a \$3 million award for a man who underwent years of pain and suffering when a piece of surgical tape was left behind following prostate surgery. The firm is also representing the family of the Wal-Mart employee killed during the crush of frenzied shoppers at the Valley Stream store on "Black Friday", the day after Thanksgiving in 2008.

ALL PERSONNEL AT GERSOWITZ LIBO & KOREK are sensitive to each client's needs and understand that each client is an individual deserving special attention. In order to provide the time and attention that each case deserves, the firm is selective with the cases it takes on, and advances all costs and expenses associated with the lawsuit. The cases are taken on a contingency fee arrangement, and clients are not responsible for a single cent of attorneys' fees unless the case is won. "Attorneys at Gersowitz Libo & Korek have a combined 90 years of experience on all types of personal injury cases. We are committed to each case and are passionate about helping our clients," says partner and *Best Lawyers in America®* selected, Jeff Korek.

GERSOWITZ LIBO & KOREK HAS RECENTLY welcomed the addition of two new associates, whose strong backgrounds in charity work and community aid align with the firm's values. Beyond its courtroom accomplishments, the firm sponsored The 4th Annual Gardner Memorial Basketball Classic, an event held in the Bronx in support of an organization that offers outreach to families in the community who are suffering from the loss of loved ones. Not only did the firm's members provide financial support for the tournament and the scholarships that were awarded to local college-bound seniors, they took to the court as team *Lawyertime.com*.

THE ATTORNEYS OF GERSOWITZ LIBO & KOREK continue on in their efforts to help the victims of catastrophic injury with the strong hope that President Obama and the nation's political leaders will recognize that these victims shouldn't be made to bear the brunt of the problems of the current healthcare system through limitations on their ability to bring a lawsuit or gain recovery.

FIRM FACT:

Partner Jeff Korek is a past-President of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association, as well as past-President of the New York City Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

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