

# **A.Y. Strauss Grows Commercial Litigation Practice with Addition of Kory Ann Ferro, Esq.**

A.Y. Strauss, a leading boutique law firm focused on commercial transactions and litigation in the areas of real estate, construction contracting, bankruptcy, and franchising law, is pleased to announce that Kory Ann Ferro has joined the firm as an Associate in the Commercial Litigation group. Ferro was previously with Cohn Lifland Pearlman Herrmann & Knopf LLP.

Ferro, who earned her J.D., magna cum laude, from Rutgers University School of Law in 2013, and her B.A., summa cum laude, from Temple University in 2008, is admitted to practice in the State and Federal Courts of New Jersey and of New York, and the United States District Court of New Jersey. She is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association and the Bergen County Bar Association. Before entering private practice, Ferro held a clerkship with the Hon. Margaret M. Hayden in the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey.

During law school, Ferro received the Justice Henry Ackerson Jr. Prize for the greatest distinction in legal skills as well as the Anthony Englebrecht Prize for the highest grade point average during the final year of law school. In addition to achieving academic excellence, she served as Managing Editor of the Rutgers Law Review, and began honing her legal advocacy skills through participation in the Child Advocacy Clinic, the Urban Legal Clinic, and the Domestic Violence Advocacy Project. She also served as an Executive Member of the Moot Court Board; Justice (president) of the Phi Alpha Delta Mock Trial Team which placed first in a national competition and

was awarded best advocate and prosecution team awards; and, she was a member of the Rutgers National Mock Trial Team which appeared in the National Trial Competition Finals and was awarded an American College of Trial Lawyers Medallion for Excellence in Trial Advocacy.

Ferro has been included in the 2021 list of “Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation” by Best Lawyers, and was honored as a “New Jersey Rising Star” by Super Lawyers in 2018-2019. She was also included in (201) Magazine’s list of Bergen County’s “Top Lawyers” in 2018-2020.