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## VISHNICK McGOVERN MILIZIO LLP ANNOUNCES PROMOTION, NEW HIRE and APPOINTMENT

Vishnick McGovern Milizio LLP (VMM) Managing Partner Joseph G. Milizio is pleased to make the following announcements:

## **PROMOTION:**

Astoria, NY resident Constantina Papageorgiou, Esq. has been promoted to partner. She joined VMM in August 2013 as an associate and was promoted effective December 2018. Ms. Papageorgiou is a member of the firm's Trust and Estate Practice, concentrating in Trust and Estate Administration, Trust and Estate Planning, Guardianships and Elder Law. She earned her Juris Doctor degree from St. John's School of Law and her Bachelor's degree from Stony Brook University with a major in Political Science and minor in International Studies. She is licensed to practice law in New York State.

An active member of the Queens County Bar Association, Queens County Women's Bar Association, and the Trust and Estates and Elder Law Sections of the New York State Bar Association, Ms. Papageorgiou serves as a board member of HANAC (formerly known as the Hellenic American Neighborhood Action Committee), the Hellenic Lawyers Association and St. Demetrios of Astoria Alumni. She frequently conducts educational elder law and estate planning seminars for community organizations in both the Greek and English languages, with the goal of enlightening and motivating individuals to engage in estate, tax and Medicaid planning for the protection of themselves and their assets. She also has a particular focus on estate planning for young families.

## **NEW HIRE:**

**Phillip Hornberger**, Esq., a resident of **St. James**, **NY**, has joined Vishnick McGovern Milizio LLP as an **associate** in the firm's Real Estate Law and Business and Transactional Law Practice Groups. Mr. Hornberger's work is concentrated in residential real estate; his duties include reviewing title reports; addressing title issues with title insurance companies and sellers; attending closings; and reviewing and editing contracts of sale.

Prior to joining VMM, Mr. Hornberger was an attorney from 2015 to 2018 in The Law Office of Howard W. Rachlin in Roslyn, NY. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from **St. John's School of Law** and a Bachelor of Science degree in

Business Management from **Providence College** in Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. Hornberger is admitted to practice law in New York State and is a member of the New York State Bar Association





(Real Estate Section) and Suffolk County Bar Association (Real Estate and Young Lawyers Committees).

## **APPOINTMENT:**

Partner Andrew A. Kimler, Esq., who heads VMM's Commercial Litigation, Employment Law and Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) Practice Groups, has been appointed to membership in Eastern District of New York (EDNY) ADR Department Advisory Council for the 2019-2021 term. The mission of this program is to provide litigants with an opportunity to resolve their disputes expeditiously through court annexed mediation and arbitration. As a member, Mr. Kimler will participate in guiding the EDNY ADR Department into the future.



A resident of Forest Hills, NY, Mr. Kimler also is a court-appointed mediator

for the Commercial Divisions of the State Supreme Court in Queens and Nassau Counties. He is admitted to practice law in the States of New York and New Jersey, the United States Supreme Court, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States District Courts in the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey. Mr. Kimler received his Juris Doctor degree from **Ohio Northern University**. He received his undergraduate degree with honors from **Queens College of the City University of New York**.