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Milbank Partner Stacey J. Rappaport Honored at *Euromoney's* Women in Business Law Americas Awards 2020

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On September 17, 2020, Milbank partner Stacey J. Rappaport was named “Best in Insurance & Reinsurance” at the *Euromoney* Women in Business Law Americas Awards 2020. The awards recognize women and firms “advancing diversity in the profession and the lawyers providing exemplary services and driving success for their practices.”

Ms. Rappaport is a partner in the firm’s Litigation & Arbitration Group in New York and a member of the firm’s Global Executive Committee. Her practice focuses on complex financial transaction cases involving commercial disputes, insurance contracts, mergers and acquisitions, and securities. She represents some of the nation’s most distinguished corporations, insurance companies, and financial institutions.

Currently, Ms. Rappaport is leading the defense of major insurance companies in class action and other litigation concerning cost of insurance rate (“COI”) adjustments. These cases are part of a nationwide wave of litigation against life insurance companies that have adjusted COI on their universal life insurance policies in recent years. Stacey has successfully litigated novel legal issues, making new law that is beneficial to her clients and other insurance companies across the industry.

Upon her election to Milbank’s five-partner Global Executive Committee in 2018, Stacey became its first female member in the firm’s then-152-year history. She is a founding member of and was the first Chair of Milbank’s Women’s Initiative Committee. She also serves on the firm’s Pro Bono Committee and has held many other committee memberships at the firm. Stacey is also a leader in the broader legal community, serving on the boards of three non-profit organizations that provide legal services and/or advocate for legislative change.

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