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## Biography

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NEW YORK - New York attorney Steven C. Krane, is a partner in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department of Proskauer Rose LLP, and president of the 67,000-member New York State Bar Association (NYSBA). He was chosen by the House of Delegates, the Association's policy-making body, at the organization's 123rd annual meeting in Manhattan.

Krane, the youngest person ever to hold the post, assumed office on June 1, 2001. He serves as chair of the House of Delegates and co-chair of the President's Committee on Access to Justice.

A resident of Pound Ridge (Westchester County), Krane is a graduate of SUNY at Stony Brook (1978), where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and earned his law degree from the New York University School of Law (1981). He served as a law clerk to then New York Court of Appeals Judge Judith S. Kaye (1984-1985.)

Active in the NYSBA, Krane has served as a member of the House of Delegates since 1996. He currently serves as a member-at-large on the state bar's 23-member Executive Committee, chairs the Committee on Standards of Attorney Conduct and is vice-chair of both the Special Committee on the Future of the Profession and the Special Committee on the Law Governing Firm Structure and Operation. He is a member of the Membership Committee, the Committee on Mass Disaster Response and the Electronic Communications Task Force. Previously, he served on the Professional Ethics and Courts of Appellate Jurisdiction committees, and chaired the Task Force on Simplification. Since 1995 he has chaired the Special Committee to Review the Code of Professional Responsibility, shepherding major changes in the Code, which governs the daily business and ethical behavior of New York lawyers, through the House and the courts. He also represented the state bar on the Office of Court Administration's Task Force on Attorney Professionalism and Conduct. He is a Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation.

A sports law practitioner, Krane has litigated major cases for the National Hockey League, Major League

Soccer and the National Basketball Association, as well as for individual professional sports teams. He also serves as a consultant on legal ethics matters to a number of law firms, and regularly represents law firms and individual attorneys in disciplinary and professional liability matters.

In addition to his NYSBA activities, he served as chair, member and secretary of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York's (ABCNY) Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics. He is a past member of the ABCNY Federal Courts and Mass Disaster Response committees, and has also served on the Professional Responsibility, Government Ethics, and Private Legal Referral Services committees.

Krane served as a hearing panel chair and referee for the Departmental Disciplinary Committee, First Judicial Department, through 1999, and is a grievance panel chair for the Committee on Grievances of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. He has been a member of the American Law Institute since 1993.

Krane has written and lectured extensively on attorney ethics issues, and for several years taught professional responsibility at Columbia University School of Law.

The New York State Bar Association is the official organization of lawyers in New York and the largest voluntary state bar association in the nation.