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TOP 75 WOMEN LITIGATORS

The Daily Journal's Top 75 talk about what it takes to be a woman litigator in 2008



Harriet S. Posner

Los Angeles

Place of Birth: Chicago

Law School: UCLA School of Law

Law Firm: Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

Practice Area: Intellectual property, shareholder actions, merger litigation

Years in Practice: 24

Skadden litigation partner Harriet S. Posner has become well-known for the impressive variety of high-profile cases she's handled. But her workload hasn't been at the expense of helping out in her community. She has been on the board of the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, which provides free legal services to low-income residents. Posner will become the foundation's president later this year.

Representing Santa Monica-based video game giant Activision, Posner recently resolved an intellectual property suit that could have cut into profits for the enormously successful

"Guitar Hero" video game.

She also handled shareholder litigation and navigated legal challenges to the merger of Activision with its well-known competitor Blizzard. Posner recently won two major victories in defense of Farmers Group against class actions and is defending Wells Fargo and Guardian Life Insurance against high-profile class actions.