

# ERVIN COHEN & JESSUP'S ELLIA THOMPSON SELECTED AS ONE OF LOS ANGELES' MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMEN ATTORNEYS

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Ervin Cohen & Jessup Partner Ellia Thompson, chair of the firm's Land Use Practice, is again an honoree in the *Los Angeles Business Journal's* annual special supplement honoring 75 of the City's most influential women attorneys.

"Unlike many other land use lawyers in Los Angeles, she does not represent anyone or any group who opposes development or other people's property rights," says the special supplement, published today. "Her ability to see realities and opportunities that other people in real estate have missed has significantly helped grow her Land Use practice."

The report adds that Thompson, a UCLA alum who obtained her J.D. from George Washington University Law School, is "dedicated to representing developers, business owners, and property owners in overcoming the regulatory, environmental, and political obstacles to property use and development."

*Los Angeles Business Journal* Publisher and CEO Anna Magzanyan explained that the honorees have been recognized for "exceptional legal skill and achievement across the full spectrum of responsibility, exemplary leadership as evidenced by the highest professional and ethical standards, and for contributions to the Los Angeles community at large... there are some particularly stellar attorneys in the LA region who happen to be women... thank you for working to keep the people and businesses of LA on the right track."

Contrasting to many land-use attorneys, Thompson also excels at defending developers and property owners against criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

"I serve my clients best by keeping them out of the courtroom, but in the event that a lawsuit is filed, our firm has a solid team with exceptional skills and experience," says Thompson.

## PROFESSIONALS

Ellia M. Thompson

## PRACTICE AREAS

Land Use and Environmental