

Types of practices and cases pursued by women lawyers

\* Miss Mary M. Bartelme, public guardian of Cook County, Illinois, and a probate lawyer.

CLN, 3/4/1899, at 234, col. 2-3.

\* Miss Rosalie Loew, assistant attorney for the New York Legal Aid Society. Mrs. Philip Carpenter, attorney for the Society of New England Women.

CLN, 7/1/1899, at 384, col. 1.

\* Miss Mary Bartelme admitted to practice in federal court for Northern District of Illinois: "Her immediate object in applying for admission to the Federal courts was that she wished to file a petition in bankruptcy for a client."

CLN, 7/22/1899, at 409, col. 3.

\* Cora B. Hirtzel "after two years as an assistant counsel in the office of the corporation counsel of Chicago . . . has resumed the work of examining authorities and preparing briefs--for use on trial and on appeal--for the profession. . . . She is an able lawyer and in the preparation of briefs has few equals."

CLN, 11/18/1899, at 109, col. 4.

\* Miss Cora Hirtzel: "While Miss Hirtzel has made a specialty of brief work, because of an inclination for the study of legal propositions, she is also experienced in the general practice of the law and probate matters."

CLN, 1/20/1900, at 185, col. 4.

\* Mrs. Kate P. Pier of Milwaukee, court commissioner.

CLN, 2/3/1900, at 201, col. 3.

\* Miss Cora A. Wellman, "appointed by the Supreme Court of New Hampshire assignee to wind up the affairs of the Hinsdale Savings Bank. . . . has been acting as treasurer of the bank, was recommended for appointment by the incorporators."

CLN, 3/24/1900, at 261, col. 1.

\* Miss Alice D. Merrill "was a printer by trade and for a time worked in the office of the Chicago Legal News."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 339, col. 4.

\* Mrs. Meriette B.R. Shay "wrote a book entitled Students' Guide to Common Law Pleading . . ."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 339, col. 4.

\* Mrs. Kate Kane Rossi "is equally home in prosecuting a civil suit or defending a criminal. Mrs. Rossi took an early interest in having matrons appointed for the police stations in this city [Chicago]."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 340, col. 1.

\* Miss Mary Lee Colbert "has been a clerk in the law office of Julius Rosenthal . . . for more than ten years, attending mainly to probate work, to wills, conveyancing, etc."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 341, col. 1.

\* Mrs. Florence E. Embrey "devoted several years in Chicago to the practice of patent law."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 344, col. 1.

\* Mrs. Florence Kelley, Northwestern University, LL.B., 1895 "has been a resident of Hull House for many years and has been actively engaged in sociological work. She has made many investigations in Illinois for Carroll Wright of the National Labor Bureau and Henry D. Lloyd. She was appointed factory inspector by Gov. Altgeld . . . and has done signal service in the crusade against sweat shops. She is at present secretary of the National Consumers League with headquarters in New York City."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 344, col. 1.

\* Miss Mary Eva Miller, Chicago College of Law, LL.B., 1895 "has devoted herself to both civil and criminal practice."

CLN, 6/2/1900, at 344, col. 1-2.

\* "Miss Alice Serber, of New York, has announced her intention of devoting herself in future exclusively to the practice of criminal law. Miss Serber will have the distinction of being the first American woman to make a specialty of this branch of the legal profession."

CLN, 9/15/1900, at 32, col. 2.

\* Miss Margaret Ziliox of Hamilton, Ohio, "for the last seven years has been deputy probate judge of Butler county. . . . Miss Ziliox administers oaths and conducts examinations pertaining to applications for marriage licenses, probating of wills, appointment of guardians, inquests of lunacy, etc.--in fact, performs all acts and duties as the judge himself may, except sitting in judicial proceedings. Her power to administer oaths is somewhat curious, when it is remembered that under the laws of Ohio a woman can not be a notary public or hold any State office, because she is not an elector. The validity of her acts was one time contested in a case brought in the Butler County Common Pleas Court; the court decided in her favor, and on appeal the Circuit Court affirmed the decision."

CLN, 6/1/1901, at 347, col. 4.

\* Miss Susan Cecilia O'Neill of Waterbury, Conn., NYU LL.B., 1897 "has been much engaged during the past year, in Bridgeport, where with Miss Isabella M. Pettus of the New York Bar, she has been conducting a case arising under the laws of 1877, dealing with the property rights of married women."

CLN, 6/8/1901, at 355, at 3-4.

\* "The Woman's Manual of Law, by Mary A. Greene, LL. B., Member of the Boston Bar, Lecturer on Law at the Lasell Seminary. Silver, Burdett . . . 300 pages, Price, \$1.50. . . . Miss Greene . . . lecturer upon the subject of which it treats, not only before Lasell Seminary students and club women, but also before Working Girls' Clubs and Mothers' Meetings. The entire cycle of a woman's life from her marriage to the grave is passed in review in successive chapters."

CLN, 11/8/1902, at 103, col. 2.

\* Miss Mary Lowell admitted to Massachusetts bar. After Nichols Latin School at Lewiston, Me., Mount Holyoke College, and the medical school of Tufts College, "[s]he took a supplementary course in the Women's Medical College of the New York Infirmary and received a hospital appointment in New York City. She was appointed the first woman assistant superintendent in the Main[e?] State Hospital for the Insane at Augusta, and after five years resigned to study abroad. . . . returned to accept the chair of hygiene and physiology at her alma mater, Mt. Holyoke. She resigned this position to study law and has completed the four years' course in Boston University Law School in two years. Miss Lowell says: 'I do not expect to practice law for some time yet as there are two more degrees I wish to take at the Boston University, bachelor of jurisprudence and master in chancery.'"

CLN, 3/7/1903, at 245, col. 2-3.

\* "Girl Lawyer in Federal Courts"--headline. Miss Bird M. Wilson, high-honors graduate of Hastings Law College . . . "intends to devote much of her time to educating women as to her rights under the law."

CLN, 6/6/1903, at 349, col. 4.

\* Miss Alta M. Hulett: "This unromantic case marks an epoch in legal annals in the State of Illinois, because, for the first time, a woman conducted a suit in Court, and conducted it in her own right under the law." There follows a detailed description of the court appearance, in which Hulett represented a washerwoman against a butcher, and won.

WJ, 7/12/1873, at 217, col. 3.

\* Belva Lockwood "Has disposed of about a hundred cases; she has had about five hundred Government claims, which she has prosecuted with marked success, and among which are two cases being managed for claimants residing in Ireland." letter from Lavinia Goodell, Janesville, Wis.

WJ, 5/22/1875, at 161, col. 3.

\* Miss Daisy Barbee, in St. Louis Criminal Court "defended a woman charged with grand larceny, and secured her acquittal."

WJ, 4/10/1897, at 116, col. 3.

\* Mrs. M.S. Fitts of Lynn, Mass., appointed pension-claim attorney by the Secretary of the Interior.

WJ, 9/13/1897, at 301, col. 1.

\* Mrs. Ellen S. Forbes Tolman of Lawrence, Mass., "has for almost twelve years been a recognized pension attorney of the Interior, War, Navy and Treasury Departments . . ."

WJ, 10/16/1897, at 330, col. 3.

\* Mrs. J. Ellen Foster and Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey have opened a law office in Washington, D.C. "They will be pleased to serve their friends and the public in the trial of causes, the prosecution of claims, and by appearing before committees of Congress. They also solicit correspondence as to land claims, and all questions arising under the tariff law."

WJ, 10/23/1897, at 341, col. 1.

\* Miss Elizabeth L. Kenney of Los Angeles will give "especial attention to 'probate law and property rights of women and children.'"

WJ, 1/8/1898, at 16, col. 3.

\* Miss Kate F. O'Connor of Rockford, Ill., "means to open an office as a counsellor of women, a place where women may come and discuss their business affairs. In addition to making and proving wills, appointment of administrators, executors and guardians, and the settlement of estates, she will do conveyancing, loan money, insure life and property, and make a specialty of pensions."

WJ, 4/16/1898, at 121, col. 3.

\* Miss Rosalie Loew, assistant attorney of the Legal Aid Society of New York, "of which Carl Schurz is the attorney. Miss Loew is employed on salary, and her work is unceasing. Her practice is confined to the municipal courts. She has on the docket from eighteen to twenty-three cases a day, which are scattered among the eleven divisions of the Borough of New York. She prepares the cases, argues them in person, and is responsible for their disposal.

Her fluency in the languages, especially the jargons of the German Jewish element, which largely make up the clientele of the Legal Aid Society, renders her service almost invaluable. A large proportion of her clients are women."

WJ, 7/16/1898, at 226, col. 3.

\* Miss Amy F. Acton, formerly of the legal department of National Cash Register Company of Dayton, Ohio, recently opened an office in Boston. "She proposes to devote Thursday afternoons to giving legal advice, without charge, to poor women who may be sent her by responsible people who will vouch for the worthiness and inability to pay of those whom they recommend."

WJ, 10/1/1898, at 313, col. 3.

\* Mrs. Marilla M. Ricker "has recently won fresh distinction in her legal practice in her place as counsel in a great bank suit now pending."

WJ, 11/26/1898, at 381, col. 4.

\* Miss Elizabeth M. Taylor, Boston: "specialty is conveyancing, and she probably knows as much about the titles to lands in Boston as any other person. . . . Miss Taylor for many months has spent her days from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. searching legal documents in the registry of deeds, and there she will be found for some time to come, for the city has a vast amount of this work to be done."

WJ, 1/20/1900, at 24, col. 3.

\* Miss Rosalie Loew's "Free Law Hospital" in New York: "I have my 'matrimonial patch-up department,'" she said, "and I am more proud of it than perhaps anything else. Then I have a 'bad lawyer' department, where I corner and prosecute all dishonest practitioners, and a 'bad debt' division, and hosts of others."

WJ, 6/2/1900, at 176, col. 1.

\* Mrs. Ella Knowles Haskell, assistant attorney general of Montana: "is connected with large mining interests. It is reported that she has just completed a sale of a Jefferson County mine for Minnesota parties for \$100,000, and has another deal pending which involves \$250,000. She is an active member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, and her knowledge in this connection places her in a very valuable position among promoters."

WJ, 6/9/1900, at 180, col. 3.

\* Miss Gail Laughlin, New York, "has been called upon by the government to officially investigate the house servant problem. Her appointment comes from the Industrial Commission, which was established by an act of Congress approved on June 18, 1898, for the purpose of investigating questions pertaining to labor, education, immigration, etc. Miss Laughlin is a capable worker in the National-American Suffrage Association." (Cornell Law School, 1898.)

WJ, 6/30/1900, at 208, col. 3.