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Katherine Brandt is chair of the Commercial and Public Finance Practice Group at Thompson Hine LLP and managing partner of the firm's New York office.

Brandt began her career as a manufacturing engineer with Texas Instruments Inc. Later, she initiated her legal career in the Cleveland office of Thompson Hine LLP as a member of the banking, bankruptcy and creditors' rights practice area. She became a partner in 1997. The following year, she was named firmwide chair of the newly formed Commercial and Public Finance Practice Group. She moved to New York in 2002 to help Thompson Hine integrate a newly acquired firm, and in 2010, Brandt was named managing partner of the New York office.

She was instrumental in the development and implementation of Thompson Hine's Women's Initiative and was the first leader of the New York Office Women's Initiative. Over the years, Brandt took leadership roles in a number of community and charitable organizations, including the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of America and the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Northeast Ohio.

She has received a number of awards and honors, including Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business, Banking and Finance; New York Super Lawyers; Ohio State Bar Foundation Award for Community Service by Lawyers 40 and Under; and the Grove City College Athletic Hall of Fame.

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