

Francine A. Gargano, Esq. - Biography

Francine has lived most of her life in North Plainfield and has dedicated her more than 25 years of law practice to protecting the lives and business interests of her clients. A graduate of Detroit College of Law School, she is a General Practice Attorney always on the side of the people who need a strong legal voice and the talent to obtain results. She keeps those skill sets razor sharp in areas such as real estate and foreclosure law, contract disputes, liquor licenses and preserving individual rights. As a North Plainfield native, she developed a keen interest in politics as a means of improving, sustaining and helping North Plainfield continue to be a thriving and diverse community by preserving its rich history while insuring that it holds a position for business development, cultural interests and economical security for the future. In short, Francine Gargano loves her North Plainfield and can be seen at cultural events, out shopping in the farm markets and chatting over the flower beds, dressing up for historical reenactments and supporting North Plainfield's myriad activities. A huge believer in the need for Historic Preservation, Francine helped to develop the North Plainfield Historic Preservation Laws, sat on the Historic Preservation Commission and is a Trustee for the Heritage Trail Association. Beyond the borders of her law office she's been a Teacher at Berkeley College and her love of all-things Victorian, via her Tea Party website.

Highlights of Francine's long and dedicated career include: Chair of the Somerset County Bar Foundation, Trustee of the Association and President of The Vicinage XIII Women's Bar Association. Always a Humanitarian, she received an American Bar Association Commendation for her work with Haitians and the 7th Congressional District Volunteer of the Year Award in 1995 for her work on AIDS.

It is no wonder that she has taken up the family mantel to continue a legacy of community service and support following the 5 generations who have proudly served as Mayor, Councilwoman, Deputy Fire Chief, multiple members of the Fire Department and Court Staff along with saving the Clock on the Somerset School and being a team member that started the S.T.E.P. program for North Plainfield's youth when she served on the Youth Services and Municipal Alliance Committee.

Some Fun Facts About Francine Gargano:

- * She is a doll collector
- * Lives in a Historic Registered Victorian Home
- * Is a Member of The Hall Mills Murder Case, a special interest group trying to solve the case.
- * Loves hosting Tea Parties with vintage Victorian dishes.