



Linda Howard Weissman

For the past thirteen years Linda Howard Weissman has been the Assistant Dean for Institutional Advancement at Touro Law Center – now located in a new \$35 million state-of-the-art building in Central Islip. At Touro she heads a staff of six individuals who are responsible for the annual fund; corporate, foundation and government relations; special events; the recent capital campaign for CI;

alumni relations; marketing and public relations.

Before working at Touro, she served as the Executive Director of The Five Towns Community Chest – raising funds and distributing those funds to several non-profit organizations in the Five Towns. From 1983 to 1989 she served as Director of Development of Family Service Association of Nassau County (now Family and Children's Association). At FSA she initiated several fund raising events, handled major gifts, corporate and foundation relations, and raised public awareness for that well-respected agency. Earlier in her career she worked as a free-lance writer with articles published in the *New York Times*, *Newsday* and several magazines.

A former Registered Nurse and a graduate of SUNY's Empire State College, Linda is a founding member and former President of the Long Island AFP Chapter. She has chaired the organization's Annual Philanthropy Day, and was a prior recipient of the Chapter's Outstanding Fund Raiser of the Year Award. Linda serves on the Resource Council of The Long Island Fund for Women and Girls and was the original co-chair of that organization's "Women Against the Odds" Breakfast. For the past two years she has served on the committee for ERASE Racism's annual fund raising event – "A Common Thread: Celebrating People of the African Diaspora".

Linda and her husband Jim live in Cold Spring Harbor and together they have four grown children and four grandchildren.

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