

Stanna Michelle Slater

Stanna Michelle Slater (born Jeffery Slater) has been practicing Law in Arizona since 1989. She is licensed to practice in all Arizona state courts and in the United States District Court of Arizona. Ms. Slater obtained her *Juris Doctor* degree in 1989 from the University of Denver College of Law, where she was a published Staff Writer on the *Denver University Law Review*.



Her practice is located in Scottsdale and is recognized as *The Law Office of Jeffery S. Slater, P.C.*, which she founded in January 1999. Ms. Slater focuses her practice on civil litigation, estate-planning and public-policy advocacy for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community. Since launching the *Law Office of Jeffery S. Slater*, Ms. Slater has represented a diverse array of insurance companies, healthcare providers, corporations (publicly-traded and closely-held), estates and individuals. For her professional achievements and ethics, she has received *Distinguished* recognition from *Martindale-Hubbell (Attorney Peer Reviews)* and *Superb* recognition from the Avvo online directory of attorneys.

Ms. Slater is a former Chair of the Arizona State Bar's *Committee on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity* (SOGI). While chairing the SOGI Committee and with support from the State Bar of Arizona (SBA), Ms. Slater launched a petition before the Arizona Supreme Court seeking to end discrimination against transgender people in all Arizona state-court proceedings. Ms. Slater also served on a special SBA task-force commissioned to bolster the lawyer ethics rule (ER8.4) which prohibits unlawful bias and prejudice against minority groups, including the Transgender Community.

Ms. Slater currently serves as the *LGBTQ Liaison* for the City of Scottsdale where she also serves on the Scottsdale Police Chief's *Community Engagement Committee*.

Ms. Slater is a former Board member of *one•n•ten*, an Arizona nonprofit that empowers LGBTQ youth at centers throughout Arizona.

Ms. Slater is an *Honorably Discharged* former Captain in the United States Army Reserve. Her military service includes several years as an artillery officer in the Arizona Army National Guard and Airborne (Paratrooper) training during which she learned to parachute and earned the coveted "Silver Wings" *Parachutist Badge*.

In 2016, the City of Scottsdale recognized Ms. Slater as a *Diversity Champion*. That same year, *Arizona Foothills Magazine* named her one of eight Women Who Move the Valley.