



## **What a history! In honor of Women’s History month, Williams, Williams, Rattner & Plunkett celebrates Raisa Medvinsky**

*Coming to the U.S. for a better life, office administrator brings multiple skills to the firm she joined 44 years ago*

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Birmingham, Mich.---March 27, 2024 – Joining in the recognition of March as Women’s History Month, Birmingham, Michigan-based corporate law firm Williams Williams Rattner & Plunkett (WWRP) is pleased to spotlight their veteran office administrator Raisa Medvinsky, who has been with the firm since 1980. Medvinsky started her career with WWRP shortly after immigrating to the United States from Moldova (then a part of the Soviet Union), landing in Michigan with her husband and three-year-old son. This month marks 44 years since Medvinsky’s arrival to America.

Medvinsky found her way to Williams, Williams, Rattner and Plunkett when she responded to an Observer & Eccentric ad for a full charge bookkeeper – but almost skipped the interview due to a frustrating drive searching for the building address at its then location on the Woodward corridor. However, she found her way and hasn’t looked back. She held the bookkeeper role until 1989 when she took over as office administrator.

A huge education advocate, Medvinsky received her dual master’s degree in economics and engineering in Moldova and also took weekly private English lessons in preparation for the move to the U.S. but, as a native Russian speaker, recalls having broken English upon her arrival. Still, these tools helped her prepare for the opportunities and challenges she knew she’d face. She credits a welcoming local community and the support she found at WWRP for easing her immersion into American life.

“My experience at WWRP has been nothing but positive since the day I got here – people have always been giving, welcoming and accepting,” Medvinsky remarked. “The beauty of the firm is that throughout my time here, including changes in leadership and while experiencing growth, the culture has remained intact, making it a wonderful place to work.”

Medvinsky also credits her longevity with the firm to her upbringing in Moldova, with loving parents that centered family life around education, loyalty and hard work. She noted that WWRP has also always been family oriented, supportive, and welcoming of people from all different backgrounds. When other career opportunities came up outside the firm, it was the culture and support of WWRP that kept Medvinsky in the fold.

“When I was growing up, I was marinated in love by my parents and taught dedication,” Medvinsky recalled. “Workplace loyalty is in my blood – my father was at his job for 37 years until he passed at a young age. I’m so grateful to WWRP for taking me under its wing and making it a place to work that is fulfilling and easy to be devoted.”

WWRP Managing Partner John Crowe praised Medvinsky for her smarts, hard work and loyalty.

“Raisa is such a diligent worker. Only rarely have I heard her stories of Moldova and never did she speak of how difficult her life was there until the topic came up in conjunction with Women’s History Month and a discussion on her incredible tenure with the firm,” Crowe said. “Raisa doesn’t dwell on negative thoughts. Instead, she brings intelligence, warmth, loyalty and outstanding office administration skills to WWRP. She’s a treasure to all of us here.”

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