



Antoinette Lazarus of Farmington

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As chief compliance and risk officer for Landmark Partners, an international funds management company headquartered in Simsbury, Antoinette “Annie” Lazarus has a weighty responsibility: She must ensure that the firm, which manages \$27 billion in assets, adheres to an enormous number of frequently changing laws and regulations pertaining to its business.

It’s a role for which she is eminently qualified — having previously worked at Phoenix Equity Planning Corp., Aetna Financial Services, Cigna Retirement and Investment Services, and Prudential Financial – and having earned numerous professional designations: Investment Adviser Certified Compliance Professional; Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist; the CFA Institute Investment Foundations certificate; and completion of the Certified Regulatory & Compliance Professional Program at Wharton’s FINRA Institute.

And that’s in addition to an MBA in Finance from the University of Hartford and a BS in Physics from Fairfield University!

Somehow, Annie also finds time to share her expertise on several community Boards, including the YWCA, Saint Francis Foundation, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, and the Hartford Community Loan Fund, which offers financial support for low-income city residents. She is also a founding member of 100 Women Who Can—Farmington Valley and the West Indian Credit Union.

She has been honored by the Connecticut Immigrant and Refugee Coalition (2010) and the Center for Urban Research, Education and Training (2016) for tirelessly connecting first-generation immigrant families with opportunities in education, internships, employment, and housing. She is also a longtime tutor in that Center’s adult literacy and numeracy programs.

Indeed, it is Annie’s quiet service to immigrant families that prompted her friend to nominate her as a Wonder Woman of 2019:

“The extent to which Annie is constantly striving to help others like herself ‘make it’ in this country is truly incredible. She is always trying to help a family newly located from Jamaica find a job, get into good schools, find an apartment or home, etc.

“She believes wholeheartedly in education, so she continually mentors kids (formally and informally) to get in and stay in school, assists them with internships, and connects them with business leaders who can be influential in their lives. In that, she represents so many other immigrants who remember to ‘lift others up’ after having achieved some of their own success in the United States.

“She is a true Wonder Woman, silently doing extraordinary work and making a real difference in the lives of people in the community.”