

Each month, Women's Business asks readers for nominations to create a Top 10 list in a particular category. In this issue, we present the region's leading real estate professionals. They're the dynamic people our readers rely on for their commercial or residential real estate needs.

TOP 10

Gail Petersen Bell

President
Home Center, Sotheby's International Realty



"When I first met Gail, I knew immediately that she was the one I wanted to represent my brother and me on the sale of our family homestead in Center Hingham. She was engaging, smart, lovely to speak with and had a total command of her industry - everything one could ask for. Gail sold our property for full price within a week of being on the market, despite the downturn in real estate. As I have said to all my friends and colleagues, she is the best!"

- SUE BUERKEL
REALTOR
ATLANTIC BAY
SOTHEBY'S INTERNATIONAL REALTY

Kristin Blount

Senior Vice President, Downtown Brokerage
Colliers Meredith & Grew



"Kristin combines kindness, strategic thinking and an amazing Rolodex to make real estate deals happen. Similarly, her efforts as president of the CREW Network are helping the career advancement of other women in the real estate professions."

- LESLIE S. SAUL
PRESIDENT
LESLIE SAUL & ASSOCIATES

Kathleen Keegan

Broker, Owner
Real Estate Rocks & Associates



"I had a rental property that I had tried to sell, but had taken off the market. When the latest renters moved out, I called Kathleen. We put it on the market in September and we closed in the middle of November. I took all of the suggestions she made - and she even pitched in with some of the work. I truly believe the house would still be on the market without the enthusiasm and extra service Kathleen provided me."

- LINDA J. OSBORNE
PEMBROKE

Mary L. Lentz

Executive Vice President
McCall & Almy



"Mary develops a deep appreciation of her clients' most complex requirements as thoroughly as she does the expectations of the building owners she deals with. She knows how to bring disparate interests into alignment while maintaining the deep respect of clients and owners alike. Mary is perceived as a loyal advocate for clients in their goals, helping them anticipate, plan and implement successful real estate strategies."

- MARC MARGULIES
PRINCIPAL
MARGULIES PERRUZZI
ARCHITECTS

Dyanne Lynch

Realtor
Coldwell Banker, Wellesley



"Dyanne should definitely be at the top of the Top 10 Women in Real Estate list. She goes above and beyond the call of duty. She is extremely articulate, efficient, warm and professional. Working with Dyanne was like having my best friend by my side through all the chaos and paperwork. I couldn't have done it without her!"

- PATRICIA EVANS
ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER
VERA WANG BOSTON