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Avana Epperson-Temple is a litigation and trial attorney, and she concentrates her practice in the areas of business litigation, professional liability litigation and insurance coverage litigation. She has defended businesses and professionals against allegations of malpractice, breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract. She has also represented insurers in coverage disputes and litigation, primarily involving commercial general liability policies and professional liability insurance policies. Epperson-Temple has successfully defended cases through trial and verdict in state court and has successfully argued before the Massachusetts Appeals Court. Epperson-Temple was appointed to the Business Litigation Session Advisory Committee by the Massachusetts Superior Court in 2022.

Her additional appointments include serving on the boards of Pine Street Inn, New England's largest homeless services organization, and the Anti-Defamation League New England Regional Board, a civil rights organization focused on combating antisemitism and all other forms of hate. She also provides pro bono counsel through the Women's Bar Foundation's Family Law Project, representing survivors of domestic violence.

Practice Areas

- Business Litigation
- Health Care Litigation

Experience

- Todd & Weld LLP (2026-present)
- Peabody & Arnold LLP (2019-2024)
- Morrison Mahoney LLP (2018-2019)

Bar Admissions

- Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, Massachusetts

Education

- Northeastern University School of Law (J.D., 2015)
- Emory College (B.A., 2012)

Honors and Awards

- Northeast Black Law Students Association's 57 Most Influential Black Attorneys in the Northeast Award (2025)
- Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce Pinnacle Award - Emerging Executive (2025)
- Anti-Defamation League Krupp Leadership Award (2023)
- Womens Bar Association Emerging Women Leaders in the Law Award (2023)
- The National Black Lawyers Top 100 (2023)
- Mass. Bar Association Outstanding Young Lawyer Award (2021)
- Emory University Top 40 Under 40 Alumni Award (2021)
- Mass. Lawyers Weekly Excellence in the Law Up & Coming Lawyer Award (2020)
- Get Konnected!'s 25 Most Influential Millennial Leaders of Color Award (2018)

In the Community

- Member, Board of Directors, Anti-Defamation League New England (2023-Present)
- Member, Massachusetts Superior Court Business Litigation Session Advisory Committee (2022-Present)
- Member, Board of Directors, Pine Street Inn (2021-Present)
- Member, Board of Directors, Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association (2017-2026)