

## **DINA PLAPLER, JD**

**Dina Plapler, JD**, serves as an adjunct faculty member in Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy (NMP) Graduate Program. She teaches courses in capital campaigns, planned giving principles and techniques, and donor behavior and giving methodologies, and she is a member of Bay Path's NMP Advisory Board. Plapler is a highly accomplished professional with a proven ability to create and implement strategic fundraising and community relations programs.

Plapler is the vice president for development at the University of Connecticut Health Center's Office of Development and Alumni Relations. In this role, she is responsible for the management of fundraising activities associated with the UConn Health Center, using her extensive fundraising management experience, with expertise in major giving, special events and planned giving.

She previously served at the Connecticut Science Center, where she was responsible for a multi-million dollar major giving program and helped them to achieve their campaign goal of \$160 million. Well-known and highly respected throughout the community, Dina has well-established relationships with senior corporate executives and community leaders. Plapler has worked in development field for a number of Connecticut's major centers for culture. While at The Mark Twain House and Museum, she was responsible for the overall contributed revenue goals as well as donor and community relations. She directed all development activities for the Hartford Stage, and worked her way from Manager of Grants to Director of Development for the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art.

She received her baccalaureate in economics and international business from New York University and her juris doctor from Georgetown University Law Center. She has been a speaker at New England Museum Association Annual and Regional meetings on topics of planned giving. She is a board member for VNA Health Care, and is an active member for the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving's Catalyst Grant-making Group. Plapler resides in West Hartford, CT.