

AGENT PROFILE *Deborah Durkee*

Young passion paves career path

Local agent Deborah Durkee believes her love of real estate began when she was 7 years old. Her parents would pile their four children into the station wagon on summer nights and drive around looking at homes and neighborhoods while dreaming of their next move.

“If we were good, our evening would end with an ice cream cone. I still love ice cream cones, and I still love real estate,” she said.

Durkee has always been a visually creative person and her years of studying and working as a designer in Manhattan have enabled her to combine a sense of style with effectively recognizing value, which she finds is a powerful combination to offer her clients.

“To me, a successful Realtor is more than just the person with the most year-end sales or the most years in the business,” Durkee said. “More important is the genuine ability to listen and understand each client’s needs, to be able to identify and seek out opportunities for them no matter how long it takes, to be skillful, ethical and positive throughout an entire transaction and to never let them down.”

She has maintained a full-time Connecticut real estate license since 1984, having consistently earned Gold Star status within the William Pitt Sotheby’s company.

Durkee, who recently completed a six-year term as a director for the Ridgefield Board of Realtors, has also been recognized with a Five-Star award by CT Maga-



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zine every year since 2010.

She represents buyer and sellers in all areas of Northern Fairfield County, from Norwalk and Fairfield to Newtown and New Fairfield.

She currently lives in Ridgefield with her husband of 36 years in the 1920s farmhouse he grew up in. She graduated from Parsons School of Design, NYC.

In her spare time, Durkee loves gardening, art, aerobic dancing and babysitting her 16-month old granddaughter as often as she can.