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Practice Areas

Estates and Trusts

Will and Trust Litigation

An attorney in the Estates and Trusts Group, Shannon counsels individuals in estate planning and estate administration. Her experience includes drafting both basic and sophisticated estate plan documents as appropriate, including:

- Wills
- Financial Powers of Attorney
- Health Care Powers of Attorney/Living Wills
- Revocable Trusts
- Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts (ILITs)
- Charitable Remainder Trusts (CRTs)
- Intentionally Defective Grantor Trusts (IDGTs)
- Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts (GRATs)
- Special Needs Trusts
- Non-judicial Settlement Agreements

Shannon helps clients develop and implement estate plans with customized documents, tax strategies and beneficiary designations related to insurance policies and retirement assets.

In addition, her practice involves the preparation of Federal Gift Tax Returns, *Crummey* withdrawal notices and the administration of decedents' estates, including the filing of related Pennsylvania Inheritance Tax and Federal Estate Tax Returns.

Shannon represents people at various stages of life including parents of minor children, individuals having a family member with special needs, adults who have never been married, are divorced, have a blended family, are married with no children or grown children or are widowed.

Clients include executives, professionals, business owners and retirees as well as individuals serving in fiduciary roles under another's estate plan document.

Bar Admissions

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Education

- University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D.
With Honor, Member of the Order of the Coif and University of Pittsburgh Law Review
- Washington and Jefferson College, B.A.
With Highest Honor, Member of Phi Beta Kappa

Professional Affiliations



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- Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Member, Allegheny County Bar Association
- Elected Member, Probate and Trust Law Section Council, Allegheny County Bar Association
- Member, Estate Planning Council of Pittsburgh

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Community Involvement

- Executive Committee Member, Secretary, Mt. Lebanon Community Foundation
- Member, Pittsburgh Symphony Association

Publications

- **Planning Your Estate: Are Your Beneficiaries In Order**
August, 2018
- **Don't Underestimate the Risk of Needing Long-Term Care**
May, 2017
- **Should I Add My Child as a Joint Owner of Assets?**
May, 2017
- **What is the Gift Tax Annual Exclusion?**
February, 2017
- **Pennsylvania Inheritance Tax Law Has New Exemption For Small Family Businesses**
July, 2013