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Main Bio

Lauren Talkington's practice is concentrated in private client services, specifically estate planning, probate, estate and trust litigation, and business succession planning.

She has extensive experience in preparing estate planning documents to fit clients' needs, including wills, revocable or irrevocable trusts, as well as incapacity planning documents such as financial and health care powers of attorney. Lauren also provides advice regarding income, gift, and estate tax issues and has extensive experience in preparing taxable estate tax returns, portability estate tax returns, estate and trust income tax returns, as well as gift tax returns.

Lauren has widespread knowledge of fiduciary service matters, including matters of complex estate and trust administration, as well as focused knowledge of generation-skipping, payroll, and fiduciary tax principles. Lauren also represents fiduciaries – family/friends, licensed professionals or corporate – as well as heirs, beneficiaries or other interested parties in estate, trust and probate litigation.

Education

- University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law (J.D., 2015)
 - Business Litigation Certificate
- Northern Arizona University (B.S.B.A., Business Economics; B.A., International Affairs, 2012)
 - Magna cum laude and liberal studies honors, Economics
 - Cum laude and liberal studies honors, International Affairs
 - 2015 Gold Axe Award for Distinguished Senior
 - Study abroad at Ecole de Management Strasbourg Business School, Strasbourg, France (2011)
- Licensed Fiduciary, Arizona Supreme Court (2016)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- Arizona Women Lawyers Association
 - Board Secretary (2021)
 - Board Member (2018 - Present)
 - Southern Arizona Chapter
 - Treasurer (2021)

- President (2020)
 - Member of Southern Arizona Chapter Steering Committee (2017 - Present)
- Morris K. Udall American Inn of Court
 - President (2019 - 2020)
 - Associate Member (2015 - 2020)
 - Student Member (2014)
- Southern Arizona Estate Planning Counsel
 - General Member (2016 - Present)
- Pima County Bar Association
 - General Member (2015 - Present)
 - Young Lawyers Division (2017 - 2020)
- James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona
 - Feghtly Moot Court Competition Judge (2017 - 2021)
 - Alumni Panelist, Admitted Student's Day (2017 - 2021)

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "Decision-Making Power for Others," Presenter, Santa Catalina Assisted Living Facility (November 16, 2021)
- "Estate Planning for Guns and Digital Assets," Panelist, Southern Arizona Estate Planning Council's Annual Estate Planner's Day (January 27, 2017)
- "Project Trust Funding: Some Assets are In, Other Assets are Out," Co-Presenter, Tucson Tax Study Group (March 17, 2017)
- "Funding the Trust," Presenter, Young Tax Professionals Breakfast Group (May 16, 2018)
- "What is Incapacity and Estate Planning? Powers of Attorney, Wills, and Trusts," Presenter, Senior Living Community in Tucson, (August 28, 2019)
- "Powers of Attorney, Guardianships, and Conservatorships," Presenter, Agape Hospice (April 29, 2021)

Previous Professional Experience

- Bogutz & Gordon, P.C., Associate (2015-2021)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona