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Kathryn's practice is focused on helping clients achieve their estateplanning goals by providing advice on wills, trusts, the transfer of assets, powers of attorney, and estate administration.

She works in partnership with her clients to help them navigate complex matters and to protect and plan for the transfer of their personal assets.

Kathryn is active in the estates and trusts bar and is a member of the Ontario Bar Association (OBA) Executive for Trusts and Estates law. While on the Executive Committee for the OBA Trusts and Estates Law section, Kathryn spearheaded the Make a Will Month initiative that has provided hundreds of public information sessions across Ontario, partnering with the Toronto Public Library, and actively participated in the development of emergency legislation to address the Covid-19 pandemic in Ontario relating to the execution of Wills and Powers of Attorney.

Kathryn is also a member of the Society of Trusts and Estates Practitioners (STEP). Kathryn has contributed to the OBA Trusts and Estates Law newsletter and to the firm's publications. She speaks at various professional and public programs on the topic of wills, estates and substitute decision-making.

PRACTICE AREAS

Wills and Estates

Estate Litigation

Recent Insights

CORPORATE COMMERCIAL 41 Lawyers Profiled Across 24 Areas of Law in The Best Lawyers in Canada, 2024 Announcement, Recognition

LITIGATION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION 2023-2024 OBA Section Executives



Education & Memberships

EDUCATION

University of British Columbia, J.D., 2011

University of Western Ontario, B.A., 2008

MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Trust and Estate Planners (STEP)

Ontario Bar Association

Canadian Bar Association

Awards & Recognition

Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory, 2025 Estate & Personal Tax Planning

Gerald W. Owen Book Prize, The Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners

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Announcement

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Update on the new Trust Reporting Obligations & Tax Filings for Underused Housing

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Dealing with Digital Assets on Death Speaking Engagement

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Latest Update on Virtual Witnessing of Wills and Powers of Attorney: Extension in Ontario to September 22, 2020 COVID-19 Resource

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Update on Virtual Witnessing of Wills and Powers of Attorney: Signing in Counterparts Now Temporarily Permitted in Ontario COVID-19 Resource

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Multiple Wills: A Little Worse For Wear But Still Worthwhile Article

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Capping Political Contributions From Beyond The Grave Article

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