

# Kathryn Balter

## Partner

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Kathryn's practice is focused on helping clients achieve their estate-planning 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

Announcement

## 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

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

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**WILLS AND ESTATES**

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

Article

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**Dealing with Digital Assets on Death**

Speaking Engagement

**WILLS AND ESTATES**

**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**

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**Virtual Witnessing of Wills and Powers of Attorney Now Temporarily Permitted in Ontario**

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**E-Wills: Legislative Change a Necessity in the COVID-19 Crisis**

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**WILLS AND ESTATES**

**Multiple Wills Resurrected**

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**Multiple Wills Make A Comeback**

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

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**Capping Political Contributions From Beyond The Grave**

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**Wills, Powers Of Attorney For Property And Powers Of Attorney For Personal Care**

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