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Sarah helps individuals and families preserve their wealth by developing strategies to safeguard their assets in the most tax-efficient way.

She represents a diverse group of clients with varying levels of wealth, up to and including, ultra-high-net-worth individuals in estate planning, trust and estate administration and probate matters.

Sarah counsels clients in developing comprehensive estate plans through the use of wills, trusts, powers of attorney and charitable giving strategies. She is also experienced in tax shelter entity structuring and transferring ownership of real property.

Working at a full-service business law firm empowers Sarah to provide enhanced service to her clients, particularly businesses owners. Having ready access to a vast body of business law knowledge not only bolsters her estate planning work, but enables Sarah to guide clients toward solutions in other areas of law.

PRACTICES

- Charitable Gift Planning
- Charitable Organizations
- Closely Held Businesses
- Estate Planning
- Gifting Strategies
- Marital Agreements
- Probate and Trust Administration
- Tax Services
- Trust and Estate Litigation
- Will and Trust Contests

EDUCATION

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., 2012
- Columbia University, M.S., 2005
- University of Chicago, B.A., 2001

ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- Illinois USDC, Northern District

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- Chicago Estate Planning Council

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2021-Present Associate, 2015-2021
- Bell & Anderson LLC Associate, 2012-2015

Recognitions

- Listed in "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" for Trusts and Estates in Chicago, Illinois (by BL Rankings), 2021
- Included in Illinois Super Lawyers (by Thomson Reuters) Rising Stars list, 2020

Presentations

- "Recent Developments and Current Estate Planning Issues," DuPage County Estate Planning, Oakbrook, IL, March 2020

Publications

- "Buy-Sell Agreements: Strategies for Buy-Sell Agreements Using Insurance", *Estate Planning,* September 2019
- "Spinning Straw into Gold: Modifying Irrevocable Trusts", *Estate Planning,* January 2019
- "The tax laws changed. Should your business and estate plans change too?", March 2018

- "Filing Form 709-- Beyond the Basics of Gift Tax Returns"; *Estate Planning,* April 2016