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Practices

Trusts & Estates

Education

University of Pennsylvania School of Law, J.D., 1986

Creighton University Law School, 1984

Bowdoin College, B.A., 1983

cum laude

About

Leon's practice is focused primarily in assisting clients of various degrees of wealth in planning for the orderly and efficient distribution of their estates upon their deaths, with minimal tax costs. Towards that end, Leon also focuses on administering clients' estates upon their passing, with efficiency and tax minimization. Leon is especially adept at mediating possible inheritance issues, including family disputes. He also represents clients in planning for disability, including powers of attorney, guardianships, conservatorships, and living trusts. Leon is an authority on trust and estate litigation, with particular emphasis on obtaining court approvals for trust accountings, trust modifications, and trust terminations. Leon is also well versed in the area of minimizing the use of one's own assets to pay for long-term care costs, including Medicaid planning.

Credentials

Work Experience

Hinckley Allen

- Chair, Trusts & Estates Law Group
- Partner (1995-Present)
- Associate (1986-1994)

Honors & Awards

- Best Lawyers in America® (2007-2020) Recognized for Trusts and Estates
- Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre, David Wax Award for Outstanding Commitment to the Arts (2018)
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV Peer Review Rating, Recipient
- Harold B. Soloveitzik Professional Leadership Award, Recipient
- Super Lawyers (2011-2012)

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Bowdoin Club of Rhode Island
 - Treasurer (1992-Present)
 - President (1988-1989)
- John P. Burke Memorial Fund
 - Secretary (2005-Present)
 - President (1993-2005)
- Pawtucket Boys & Girls Club, Planned Giving Committee, Member; Board Member
- Providence Public Library, Planned Giving Committee, Member
- Rhode Island Children's Museum
 - Board of Overseers (Present)
 - Board Member (Past)
- Sandra Feinstein Gamm Theater
 - President (2013-Present)
 - Board Member (2008-2013)

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Bristol County Estate Planning Council
- Estate Planning Council of Rhode Island
- Massachusetts Bar Association
- Pawtucket Country Club
- Rhode Island Bar Association

- St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church

Bar Memberships

- Massachusetts, 1989
- Rhode Island, 1986
- United States District Court, District of Massachusetts, 1990
- United States District Court, District of Rhode Island, 1987

Speaking Engagements

- RI Bar Association “Update on Trusts and Estates Law” (2000-Present)
- RI Bar Association “Qualified Personal Residence Trusts” (1994) and “Elder Law”
- BAR, BRI Rhode Island Instructor – Wills and Trusts
- “Elder Law”, National Business Institute (1992 and 1993)
- Community College of Rhode Island Instructor, “Contract Law” (1984-1998)
- American Council on Gift Annuities “The Ethics of Advising Elderly Donors and Clients” (2014)

Latest News & Insight

Publications

[Trusts & Estates 2017 Tax Update](#), March 6, 2017

[What Changes Might We Expect with Trump Presidency?](#), December 8, 2016

[Proposed New Rules Will Eliminate Discounts on Transfers of Interests in Family-Owned Entities](#), September 9, 2016

[Trusts & Estates 2016 Tax Update](#), May 12, 2016

[Trusts & Estates 2015 Tax Update](#), March 26, 2015

Firm News

[56 Hinckley Allen Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers in America 2020](#), August 15, 2019

[51 Hinckley Allen Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers in America 2019](#), August 15, 2018

[52 Hinckley Allen Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers of America](#), August 18, 2017

Case Studies

[Merger of two state affiliates of a national health organization](#)

Events

[Succession Planning in the Construction Industry](#), June 6, 2018

[American Cancer Society: A Potpourri of Hope](#), November 9, 2016

[The Rhode Island Estate Planning Round-Up](#), October 25, 2016

Rhode Island Estate Planning Round-Up, October 18, 2016

The Partnership for Philanthropic Planning Rhode Island Chapter - November Meeting, November 8, 2012



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