

Services & Industries

Fiduciary and Probate Litigation

OVERVIEW

Day Pitney's Fiduciary and Probate Litigation practice group consists of litigators and trusts and estates lawyers, all of whom have extensive experience in contested trust, estate and guardianship matters. Our attorneys handle all matters related to fiduciary, trust and probate litigation, including:

- Breach of fiduciary duty claims, defense and prosecution
- Accounting litigation
- Fiduciary removal
- Fiduciary compliance and risk management
- Will and trust controversies, including lack of capacity and undue influence claims
- Guardianship litigation and incapacity proceedings
- Trust modification, reformation and termination
- Will and trust construction proceedings
- Charitable bequest enforcement
- Cy pres doctrine actions

Our practice group is part of our Private Client department, which is one of the largest and most sophisticated in the country. We bring technical estate planning, estate administration and tax experience to all matters to give our clients an advantage in contested matters due to the depth and breadth of our knowledge. We also have experience in all forms of alternative dispute resolution as well as in state and federal appellate practice.

Our attorneys are active in the drafting of trust, estate and guardianship legislation in states in which we practice. Our attorneys regularly serve in leadership positions of state bar associations and frequently lecture and publish on probate and trust litigation issues. Attorneys in the practice group are fellows of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel.

In all fiduciary, trust and probate controversies, our attorneys combine knowledge and skill gained

through years of practical experience with unwavering dedication to our clients' legal needs.

INSIGHTS

What Partners Can Learn From Associates: Top Five Insights

November 2, 2023

Day Pitney Trusts and Estates Partner Tasha Dickinson and Litigation Partner Mark Romance authored the article, "What Partners Can Learn From Associates: Top Five Insights," for the *Daily Business Review*.

Massachusetts Appeals Court Rules That Interest in an Irrevocable Trust Is a Marital Asset

September 14, 2023

Day Pitney Alert

"Representing Estate and Trust Beneficiaries and Fiduciaries 2022," ALI CLE

November 17-18, 2022

Day Pitney Litigation Partners Glenn Dowd and Erick Sandler will be speaking at the "Representing Estate and Trust Beneficiaries and Fiduciaries 2022," course hosted by the ALI CLE on November 17-18, 2022.

Updates in Probate Law and Practice

November 8, 2021

Kaitlyn (Katie) Sapp co-presented on "Updates in Probate Law and Practice" at the Massachusetts Bar Association's Ninth Annual Probate Law Conference on November 8.

New Direction: The Connecticut Uniform Directed Trust Act

May 18, 2020

Margaret Meehan, Tiana Gianopulos and Alexis Gettier collaborated on an article, "New Direction: The Connecticut Uniform Directed Trust Act" for the *Quinnipiac Probate Law Journal*.

NEWS

Boston Magazine's Top Lawyers of 2023

November 21, 2023

Three Boston-based Private Client Department Day Pitney Partners were selected for inclusion on *Boston* magazine's Top Lawyers of 2023 List*. The selected attorneys are: Jordana G. Schreiber, Partner – Trusts and Estates; David L. Silvian, Partner – Trusts and Estates; and Christine N. Fletcher, Partner – Trusts and Estates.

Day Pitney Receives Top Rankings in U.S News & World Report's – Best Lawyers "Best Law

Firms" for 2024

November 2, 2023

Day Pitney Press Release

Chambers High Net Worth Recognizes 20 Day Pitney Attorneys for Private Wealth Law

July 20, 2023

Day Pitney Press Release

New Associations

July 7, 2023

Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly featured the arrival of new Private Client Department partners Tiffany Bentley, Ann Hetherwick Cahill, Christine Fletcher, and David Raymon in its New Associations column.

Day Pitney Adds 4 Ex-Burns & Levinson Attys in Boston

June 7, 2023

Law360 featured the arrival of new partners Tiffany Bentley, Ann Hetherwick Cahill, Christine Fletcher, and David Raymon in the article, "Day Pitney Adds 4 Ex-Burns & Levinson Attys in Boston."

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