



Renée Evangelista

Partner

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OVERVIEW

Renée Evangelista provides clients with sophisticated estate planning and estate settlement techniques to save clients gift, estate and income taxes, while ensuring that their property passes according to their wishes. She is a trustee of numerous private trusts and has routinely served as executor of client estates. Renée regularly appears in Superior Court, representing trustees and trust beneficiaries on accounting actions and trust reformations.

EXPERIENCE

Successfully arranged for the approval of a five year trust accounting action involving 150 beneficiaries

Managed the successful coordination of a \$55 million trust dispute

Managed the successful division of a trust to allow principal distributions to trust beneficiaries

Handled the successful division of a trust into separate shares for each family line

Actively represents clients in probate court matters, such as will contests, creditor claim issues and contested guardianship matters, drawing on her five years of experience as an assistant probate judge for the City of Warwick, RI

Routinely drafts and oversees the execution and administration of grantor retained annuity trusts, dynasty trusts (generation-skipping trusts), special needs trusts, private foundations, limited liability companies and other such entities, when providing estate planning for clients

Assisted with the probate proceedings in the Newport Probate Court for the Estate of Doris Duke and routinely settles estates for clients and their families

Utilizes asset protection techniques, including the Rhode Island Qualified Disposition Trust Act to protect clients' assets

SERVICES

TRUSTS AND ESTATES

PRIVATE CLIENT

FIDUCIARY AND PROBATE LITIGATION

NEWS

DAY PITNEY ANNOUNCES NEW PROVIDENCE OFFICE LOCATION

Quoted, August 21, 2023, *Day Pitney Press Release*

DAY PITNEY MOVES PROVIDENCE LAW OFFICE TO 100 WESTMINSTER

Quoted, August 21, 2023, *Providence Business First*

CHAMBERS HIGH NET WORTH RECOGNIZES 20 DAY PITNEY ATTORNEYS FOR PRIVATE WEALTH LAW

Featured, July 20, 2023, *Day Pitney Press Release*

PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE IN LAW AWARDS: RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY

Featured, May 30, 2023, *Rhode Island Monthly*

PBN RECOGNIZES 2022 LEADERS & ACHIEVERS HONOREES; RENEE EVANGELISTA

Featured, August 19, 2022, *Providence Business News*

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, J.D.

Brown University, B.A.

ADMISSIONS

State of Connecticut

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State of New York

State of Rhode Island

RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY

RECOGNITION

Selected as the Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year for the Providence Metro Area by *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), 2023

Chosen for inclusion in *Chambers HNW Guide* (Chambers & Partners) of recognized practitioners for wealthy individuals and families in Rhode Island, 2021-2023

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Trusts and Estates, 2011-2024

Selected as an honoree to the *Providence Business News'* Leaders & Achievers Awards program, 2022

Honored by *Rhode Island Monthly* for Professional Excellence in Law Award for Wills, Trust and Estates, 2021-2023

Recipient of the Harold B. Soloveitzik Professional Leadership Award from the Rhode Island Foundation, 2018

Selected to the list of Rhode Island *Super Lawyers* (Thompson Reuters), Estate Planning and Probate, Estate and Trust Litigation, 2013-2021

No aspect of these advertisements has been approved by the highest court of any state. See Awards Methodology.

COMMUNITY

Hassenfeld Child Health Innovation Institute at Brown University, Advisory Board Member

Anthony Quinn Foundation, International Board of Advisors

The Edward and Virginia Routhier Foundation, Board Member

Lifespan Professional Advisory Committee, Former Member

Hasbro Children's Hospital, Advisory Council, Former Member

Wheeler School of Providence, RI, Board of Trustees, Former Member

Trinity Repertory Company, Board of Trustees, Former Member

Providence Children's Museum, Board of Trustees, Former Member

Providence Catholic Diocese, Board of Governors, Former Member

Rhode Island Foundation, Professional Advisory Council, Former Member

Women's Sports Foundation, Financial Committee, Former Member

International Tennis Hall of Fame, Board of Directors and Development Committee, Former Member