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PRACTICE OVERVIEW:

Beth's practice focuses in the areas of estate planning, gift and estate taxation, probate and trust administration, charitable giving and the law of tax-exempt organizations. Beth assists individuals and families in developing thoughtful estate and philanthropic plans. She also advises families and professional fiduciaries in all aspects of probate and estate and trust administration. Beth provides a range of services to foundations and other not-for-profit organizations, from incorporation and application to the Internal Revenue Service for recognition of tax exempt status to board education, tax compliance and strategic planning.

PRACTICE AREAS:

Estate Planning

Gift and Estate Taxation

Probate and Trust Administration

Non-profit Organizations

EDUCATION:

Seattle University, Masters of Not-for-Profit Leadership (2000)

University of Georgia School of Law, J.D. *cum laude* (1995)

Davidson College, B.A. in History (1992)

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE:

Washington (1999)

Georgia (1995)

REPRESENTATIVE WORK:

Beth commonly works with her clients to develop and implement strategic plans to:

Establish means for caring for minor children and elderly family members.

Transfer assets while minimizing estate and gift taxes.

Accomplish philanthropic goals.

Avoid or resolve family disputes involving trusts and estates.

In addition to the individuals and families that she represents, Beth also serves as counsel to the University of Washington, the Raynier Institute & Foundation and the Potlatch Fund. She has represented a number of institutional fiduciaries, including U.S. Trust Bank of America, Wells Fargo Bank and Scott Estate Services.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Director, Probate & Trust Council

Executive Committee Member, Washington State Bar Association Real Property, Probate & Trust Section (present)

Chair, Washington State Bar Association RPP&T Legislative Committee

Member, Estate Planning Council of Seattle

Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law and City University

Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the YWCA of Seattle-King County-Snohomish County

Member and Vice Chair of Membership, Board of Trustees of The Rainier Club

Volunteer Trainer, United Way of King County and ArtsFund

Past Member, Editorial Board for the Washington State Bar Association *Washington Estate Planning Deskbook*

Past President, Washington Planned Giving Council

Past President, Book-It Repertory Theatre Board of Directors

Past-President, Community Advisory Board of Dress for Success® Seattle

RECENT PUBLICATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

"Moving Pieces, Moving People: Issues Relating to Domicile, Situs & Choice of Law," presenter, 55th Annual Estate Planning Seminar, Estate Planning Council of Seattle and WSBA (November 2010)

"Risk Management 101 for the Board of Directors," speaker, United Way of King County (May 2009)

"End of the Nonprofit Life Cycle: When It's Time to Say Good-Bye," panelist, Washington State Bar Association (March 2009)

"Fiduciary Responsibilities of Directors of Not for Profit Organizations," speaker, ArtsFund (March 2009 and October 2008)

"From Creation Through Compliance to Termination: Keeping Your Clients' Charitable Entities on Track," panelist, Washington State Bar Association Real Property, Probate and Trust Section Midyear Meeting (June 2008)

"Probate and Estate Administration," speaker, Northwest Trust Officers' Conference (April 2008; April 2006; April 2005)

"Ethical Issues Representing Not for Profit Organizations," speaker, Washington Law Institute (December 2007)

"Not for Profit Reporting Requirements," speaker, Washington Society of CPAs Not for Profit Conference (December 2007)

"How to Serve Your Community Without Being Served a Summons: Fiduciary Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards," speaker, United Way of King County (February 2007)

"Understanding the Fundamentals of Powers of Attorney," speaker, Washington State Bar Association (December 2006)

"Legal Money: An Overview of State Regulation of Charitable Solicitations," speaker, Washington Society of CPAs Not for Profit Conference (November 30, 2005)

"A Practical Guide to Creditor Protection," speaker, Forty Ninth Annual Estate Planning Seminar, Washington State Bar Association (November 2004)

"Ethical and Legal Issues Faced by Distressed Nonprofits," speaker, Washington Law Institute (October 2004)

RECOGNITION:

Fellow, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel

The Best Lawyers in America® in Non-Profit/Charities (2008 - 2011)

Super Lawyers, WASHINGTON LAW & POLITICS (2002 - 2010)

Top Fifty Female Lawyers in Washington, WASHINGTON LAW & POLITICS (2007)

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