

# Kristen M. Walsh

## Associate

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#### **PRACTICE**

Personal Services and Estate Planning

#### **EDUCATION**

Touro Law Center (J.D., magna cum laude, 2016) Salutatorian Dean's Fellowship Notes and Comments Editor, Touro Law Review

Adelphi University, School of Social Work (M.S.W., 2010)

St. Joseph's College (B.A., 2006)

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York New Jersey

## **COURT ADMISSIONS**

New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division New Jersey State Courts

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

New York Super Lawyers – Rising Star - New York Estate and Probate (2019)

#### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

New York State Bar Association Trusts & Estates Section, Member
Nassau County Bar Association
Surrogate's Court Estate & Trusts
Committee, Member
Nassau County Women's Bar
Association, Member

Kristen Walsh joined Garfunkel Wild, P.C. as an associate in 2020. She concentrates her practice on complex estate planning, asset protection and wealth preservation, trust and estate administration, and elder law.

Ms. Walsh designs and implements estate plans that are specifically tailored for the needs and objectives of each of her clients. She drafts estate planning documents from the simple to the complex, including wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, family agreements, and advance directives. Ms. Walsh's estate plans address estate and gift tax planning, elder care and special needs concerns, business succession planning, and lifetime and charitable giving.

In trust and estate administration matters, Ms. Walsh is involved in the preparation of gift and estate tax returns and the preparation of both informal and formal accountings. She advises executors and trustees on their fiduciary duties and advises beneficiaries on their rights. Ms. Walsh also represents clients in both contested and uncontested Surrogate's Court matters, including probate, administration, and accounting proceedings, and other trust and estate litigation matters.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Walsh was a Trusts & Estates associate at a prominent Long Island firm. She also previously served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Denis R. Hurley in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

### **Publications**

 Proving the Family Tree: Navigating A Kinship Proceeding in Surrogate's Court, The Nassau Lawyer, co-author (April 2020)