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Trisha practices in the areas of estate and trust planning and administration. As a planner, she helps clients plan for the preservation – and ultimate distribution – of their assets in the way they desire. She advises clients on all aspects of estates and trusts, including wills, powers of attorney, probate and estate administration, and irrevocable trusts. In her work in estate and trust administration, Trisha counsels individual and institutional fiduciaries, and in doing so, brings her prior experience serving as in-house trust counsel for a trust company in Wilmington, Delaware.

Trisha is actively involved in the Delaware State Bar Association's Estates & Trusts section, she is currently serving as Secretary and in the past she has served on the Power of Attorney committee and chaired the Fiduciary Access to Digital Accounts committee. She is also a member of the Estate Planning Council of Delaware, the Wilmington Tax Group, the Pennsylvania Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and is a Past President of the Society of Financial Services Professionals, Greater Philadelphia Chapter. She also serves as an editor of the Delaware Law Review and is a director on the board of the Delaware County Estate Planning Council.

Trisha's community activities include serving on the President's Advisory Council and the Alumnae Association Executive Board of Bryn Mawr College, co-chairing of her Bryn Mawr class giving efforts, and acting as a director, treasurer and president of the board of the Untours Foundation in Media, Pennsylvania.

She is a published author and frequent speaker on issues and developments related to estate planning. *Chambers USA: High Net Worth* has ranked Trisha among Delaware's Private Wealth practitioners. A Delaware insider commented that Trisha is "an emerging star." Another source remarks "She has great attention to detail and her written work is basically perfect." In addition, Trisha is AV® rated in Martindale-Hubbell's Preeminent™ Peer Review certification* and has been recognized by Best Lawyers in America® for Trusts and Estates since 2016, by Super Lawyers as a *Delaware Rising Star* in 2012 in the area of estate planning and probate. Also in 2012, Trisha was named one of the Society of Financial Services Professionals' "Top Leaders 40 and Under".

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Education

- B.A., Bryn Mawr College (1998)
- J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law (2001)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware (2004)
- Pennsylvania (2001)

Honors

- Delaware Today Top Lawyers - Trusts and Estates
- The Best Lawyers in America® - Trusts and Estates

Representative Experience

- *League of Women Voters v. State of Delaware Department of Elections*, 2020 WL 5998161, at *1 (Del. Ch. Oct. 9, 2020)
- *Republican State Committee v. State of Delaware Department of Elections*, 2020 WL 5758695, at *1 (Del. Ch. Sept. 28, 2020)
- *In the Matter of the Trust under Will of Florence H. Brown* dated Feb. 17, 1953, Del. Ch., T/U/W BROF0440S (Del. Ch. May 18, 2018)
- *In the Matter of the Elsie B. Moore Scholarship Foundation*, Del. Ch., C.A. No. 2017-0921-SG (Del. Ch. Feb. 23, 2018)

Publications

- “Trust Drafting With the End in Mind” Trusts & Estates magazine, July 2019 (pp. 43-46)
- “Serving As A Trustee Without a Safety Net” Trusts & Estates magazine, May 2019 (pp. 42-44) (co-author with Gregory J. Weinig)
- “Delaware Expands Investment Options for Trust Fiduciaries” WealthManagement.com (October 30, 2018)
- “Delaware Attachment Law Reinforces Asset Protection” Estate Planning, Vol. 45 No. 4 (April 2018)
- “Seeing Past The Trees, Discerning Material Purpose” *Delaware Banker*, Vol. 12 No.4 (Fall 2016)
- “Delaware’s Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets and Digital Accounts Act”, *Delaware Law Review*, Vol. 16 No. 1 (2016)
- “Living and Dying in a Virtual World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets,” *New Jersey Lawyer* (Oct. 2013) (co-Author with Greg Lastowka)
- “The Plastic Man of the Fiduciary Justice League,” *Delaware Banker*, Vol. 9 No. 4 (Fall 2013)
- “Maximizing Value,” *Captive Review: Delaware Report 2011* (Jan. 2011)
- “Funding an Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust: An Act in Three Parts,” Steve Leimberg’s Estate Planning Newsletter (Jan. 2004) (co-Author with Jeffrey R. Lauterbach)
- “The Seven Deadly Sins of Trust Drafting,” Steve Leimberg’s Estate Planning Newsletter (Aug. 2003) (co-Author with Jeffrey R. Lauterbach)

Speaking Engagements

- Delaware Banker’s Association, Women Connect! “The Importance of Estate Planning”, May 2019
- Delaware State Bar Association, Fundamentals of Will Drafting and Estate Administration Seminar, “Overview of Estate Planning”, October 2018
- Delaware Banker’s Association, Delaware Trust Conference, “Promissory Notes, Loans, Guarantees, Pledges from Irrevocable Trusts - Directed vs. Full Trustee”, October 2018
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute, 24th Annual Estate Law Institute, Co-Presenter, *New Federal Rules to Report Beneficiary Cost Basis - Form 8971*, November 2017
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Administering an Estate in Pennsylvania: A Step by Step Guide, *Dealing with Estate Assets*, September 2017
- Delaware State Bar Association, Fundamentals of Will Drafting and Estate Administration Seminar, “Overview of Estate Planning”, April 2017
- The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), 2016 Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting, *Estate Planning and Estate Administration for Digital Assets and Account*”, September 2016
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Real Property, Probate, and Trust Law Section Annual Retreat, *Digital Dilemma: What to Advise for Yourself and Your Client*, August 2016
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute, 19th Annual Elder Law Institute, *Banks and Lawyers: Why Can’t We All Get Along?*, July 2016
- National Business Institute, Trusts 101, *Where to Begin? An Overview*, December 2015
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Elder Law Institute, Co-presenter, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, November 2015
- Delaware Society of Financial Services Professionals, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, September 2015
- Greater Philadelphia Society of Financial Services Professionals Summer Clinic, Panelist, *Effective Advisor Collaboration*, August 2015
- Delaware State Bar Association, Delaware Digital Assets and Digital Accounts Act,

Panelist, January 2015

- National Business Institute, Estate Planning A to Z, *Trusts 101 and Who is the Fiduciary?*, December 2014
- Philadelphia Bar Association, Probate and Trust Law Section Annual Meeting, Panelist, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, October 2014
- Delaware Bankers Association, Delaware Trust Conference, Moderator, *Specialty Assets in Trust Administration*, October 2014
- Greater Philadelphia Society of Financial Services Professionals, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, September 2014
- Montgomery County Estate Planning Council, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, June 2014
- Delaware State Bar Association, Fundamentals of Will Drafting, Panelist, *Drafting Dispositive Provisions*, May 2014
- Greater Philadelphia Society of Financial Services Professionals, Panelist, *Multi-disciplinary Ethics*, May 2014
- Delaware Bankers Association, Delaware Trust Conference, Moderator, *Opportunities to Utilize Captive Insurance Companies*, October 2013
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Elder Law Institute, Panelist, *We are Living (and Dying) in a Digital World: Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, July 2013
- Lorman Educational Services, *Rules of Trust Administration, Options for Old Trusts*, March 2013
- Delaware County Estate Planning Council, *Estate Planning for Digital Assets and Accounts*, October 2012
- Delaware Estate Planning Council, *Captive Insurance Companies*, March 2011