

# LAURIANN WRIGHT

ATTORNEY AT LAW, EXPERIENCED PROBATE LITIGATOR AND ESTATE PLANNER

#### AWARDS AND HONORS

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SUPER LAWYER IN TRUST AND ESTATE LIGITATION FOR 5 CONSECUTIVE YEARS 2012 TO 2016

"THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA" IN LITIGATION BY BEST LAWYERS 2016

MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ADVOCATES: TOP 100 OF WILLS, TRUST, AND ESTATES LAWYERS RECENTLY NAMED

PASADENA MAGAZINE, TOP ATTORNEY 2011 TO 2016

AVVO, TOP ATTORNEY TRUSTS, 10.0 SUPERB ONGOING



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# PROFILE

For over 20 years, Mrs. Wright has been practicing all phases of probate law and litigation, including conservatorships, guardianships, trusts, and probate estates throughout Los Angeles, Orange, and Riverside Counties.

### **4 KEY QUALITIES**

- Keen understanding of probate law and procedure, garnering the respect of her fellow attorneys and bench officers
- Thoroughness and attention to detail
- Expansive litigation experience from a concurrent business litigation practice
- Social intelligence and understanding of the emotionally charged nature of probate disputes

# EXTENSIVE PROBATE EXPERIENCE

- Conducted numerous contested probate bench trials, dozens of depositions, and written and argued several probate appeals
- Successfully represented professional fiduciaries in contested and protracted probate litigation proceedings in numerous multimillion dollar trusts and estates
- Also served as fiduciary herself through court appointments as a receiver for real property, guardian ad litem, and trustee
- Has worked with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office on numerous financial elder abuse cases and has been able to successfully recover substantial assets for the elderly victims
- Member of the Los Angeles County Probate Volunteer Panel as well as the Trusts and Estates Sections of the State Bar and the Los Angeles County Bar
- Completed and continues to participate in substantial continuing legal education course work in specialized probate law topics
- Frequent speaker on trust and estate litigation topics at Bar Association and other professional group meetings and conferences

#### EXPERIENCED LITIGATOR

- Knowledgeable in all phases of civil litigation, including jury and bench trials in both state and federal courts
- Briefed and argued cases in appellate matters, including the successful, published opinion in Soderberg v. McKinney, 44 Cal. App. 4th 1760, 52 Cal. Rptr. 2d 635 (1996) which reversed the law on real estate appraiser liability in California
- Substantial knowledge in the areas of commercial finance, factoring, real estate, construction defect, intellectual property, and complex litigation

# EDUCATION AND LICENSES

CA LICENSE: SBN 172249, December 1994

JD DEGREE: UC Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, California BA DEGREE: Cal State University, Fullerton, Major: Economics/Business







