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Practice Areas

Employee Benefits and Executive
Compensation

Litigation and Appeals

Trusts, Estates and Wealth
Transfer

Education

University of Cincinnati College of
Law, J.D., 2004

*University of Cincinnati Law
Review*, Associate Member, 2002;
Student Articles Editor, 2003

Kenyon College, B.A., *magna
cum laude*, 2001, Phi Beta Kappa

Bar & Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. District Court for the
Southern District of Ohio

*Admitted to practice law only in
the states listed above.*

Beth is a partner in the Vorys Cincinnati office and a member of the litigation practice. Her practice focuses on controversies related to wealth transfer, including estate, trust, real estate and closely-held business disputes, and the exercise of fiduciary duties by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians and powers of attorney. She represents both corporate and individual trustees and beneficiaries, guardians and other individuals in both probate courts, common pleas courts and appellate courts throughout Ohio as well as the Federal District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. Beth also handles probate administration at all asset levels and advises clients concerning trust administration, helping to avoid controversy before it arises. Beth is an efficient, practical and passionate advocate for her clients.

Beth is a Fellow of the American College of Trusts and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), elected in 2019. ACTEC fellows are elected based on their outstanding reputation, exceptional skill and substantial contributions to the field by lecturing, writing, teaching and participating in bar activities. She is currently an member of ACTEC's Fiduciary Litigation Committee and State Laws Committee.

Career highlights include:

- Successful trial defense of bank trustee against multi-million dollar breach of fiduciary duty claims regarding trust administration and investments
- Successful defense and summary judgment for bank trustee against multi-million dollar breach of fiduciary duty claim involving an Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust (ILIT)
- Defense, mediation, and successful settlement of intense family dispute regarding use of funds from multi-million dollar generation-skipping trust
- Defense, mediation, and successful settlement of claims against an individual trustee and Power of Attorney against claims of self-dealing
- Successful representation of Florida resident in partition of family farm located in Butler County, Ohio

Industries

Financial Institutions

- Successful trial defense and settlement of claims regarding family farm in Fayette County, Ohio, including defense against co-parceners' claims and prosecution of partition action; obtained rare physical partition of farm land, which allowed client to maintain home farm
- Representing clients in counties across Ohio including: Hamilton, Montgomery, Butler, Warren, Clinton, Fayette, Delaware and Coshocton counties

Beth is a frequent speaker at bar associations and professional programs at the national, state and local level regarding estate, trust and fiduciary litigation. She is also an active member of the firm's trust and estate litigation subgroup.

Beth is a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the Cincinnati Bar Association. Beth is also an appointed member of the Ohio State Bar Association's Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Section Council. The Council evaluates the current state of Ohio law relevant to estate, probate and trust practitioners and their clients and develops, writes and lobbies for relevant legislative change.

Beth has been named an *Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Star* in estate and trust litigation, the only Ohio attorney in this class, each year since 2014. Beginning in 2013, she has been named an Ohio Super Lawyer. In 2022, she was named *Ohio Super Lawyer's Lawyer of the Year* for trust and estate litigation.

Beth received her J.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, where she was an associate member and student articles editor of the *University of Cincinnati Law Review*. She received her B.A. *magna cum laude* from Kenyon College, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Events

Event, 6.15.2023

2023 Cincinnati Bar Association's Advanced Estate Planning Institute

Event, 4.29.2023

American College of Trust and Estate Counsel's 2023 Ohio Fellows Meeting

10.27.2020

Adventures of an Online Notary for the The Marvin R. Pliskin Advanced Probate and Estate Planning Seminar

8.31.2020

CBA Advanced Estate Planning Institute

8.31.2020

Perspectives in Postmortem Planning - Is a Grator's Intent Set in Stone? for the Cincinnati Bar Association

10.15.2019

Current Risk Issues Seminar

9.24.2019

What Can (and Can't) Be Done?: Best Practices for Trustees Who Suspect Incapacity of Settlor, Co-Trustee, or Beneficiary

9.13.2019

The Marvin R. Pliskin Advanced Probate and Estate Planning Seminar

1.31.2019

Top 10 Ohio Estate, Trust, and Probate Law Changes Coming in 2019

3.1.2018

Cincinnati Bar Association: Advanced Estate Planning Institute Presentation

12.7.2017

Butler County Bar Association CLE Presentation

9.15.2017

The Marvin R. Pliskin Advanced Probate and Estate Planning Seminar

8.25.2017

Ohio State Bar Association: All Ohio Forum Presentation

7.13.2017

Representing Estate and Trust Beneficiaries and Fiduciaries

6.20.2017

Ohio State Bar Association Basics of Estate Administration Seminar

3.24.2017

34th Annual Advanced Estate Planning Institute

3.10.2017

Dayton Bar Association Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Institute Presentation

12.9.2016

Trust and Estate Litigation Presentation

10.26.2016

Conflicts of Interest: Trust and Estate Administration

7.7.2016

ALI-CLE Representing Estate and Trust Beneficiaries and Fiduciaries

6.22.2016

Basic of Estate Administration

4.27.2016

All-Ohio Legal Forum

4.6.2016

Fixing "Broken" Trusts

4.6.2016

Toolkit for Broken Trusts (April)

6.26.2015

Basics of Estate Administration Seminar

5.8.2015

Newcomer v. National City Bank: Guidance for Ohio Trustees (May 2015)

3.25.2015

Newcomer v. National City Bank: Guidance for Ohio Trustees (March 2015)

8.27.2014

Trust & Estates Litigation CLE

7.24.2014

ALI-CLE Representing Estate and Trust Beneficiaries and Fiduciaries Conference

5.2.2014

Fiduciary Litigation Update

3.14.2014

2014 Annual Estate Planning, Trust, and Probate Law Institute