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Practice Areas

Personal

- ▶ Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts
- ▶ Residential Real Estate Transactions

Education

- ▶ International Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (TEP) Diploma (In progress)
- ▶ JD, Thompson Rivers University (2018)
- ▶ Bachelor of Business Administration Degree, University of the Fraser Valley (2014)

Bar Locations

- ▶ British Columbia (2019)

Karen is an associate in Hamilton Duncan's Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts group, where she focuses on guiding individuals and families through the complexity of estate planning, estate administration and real estate transactions.

Karen excels in crafting comprehensive estate plans that seamlessly transfer wealth and provide safeguards against potential incapacity, disability, or unforeseen changes in circumstance. She employs her extensive knowledge to navigate the complexities of wills, codicils, testamentary trusts and deeds of gift, tailoring solutions to meet the unique needs of each client. Karen is also proficient in developing incapacity plans that include powers of attorney, representation agreements, committee nominations and committee orders. Her strategic approach ensures that clients are well-protected in financial, health and personal decision-making matters.

Karen's practice extends to guiding personal representatives (executors, administrators, and trustees) through all aspects of estate administration. This includes navigating applications for grants of probate, resealing foreign grants, collaborating with the Public Guardian and Trustee, transmission of real estate, estate asset liquidation, collaborating with accountants, settling estate debts, passings of accounts and distributions to beneficiaries.

Karen's early exposure to the legal field occurred during her employment with a national law enforcement agency, sparking her passion for critical thinking and the study of law. She proceeded to obtain her law degree from Thompson Rivers University, where she earned multiple course prizes. She then honed her estate planning skills and began developing a successful practice in that field at a boutique law firm in Surrey, British Columbia before joining Hamilton Duncan

To further her estate planning practice, Karen is currently undertaking the International Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners' (TEP) diploma for Canada, demonstrating her commitment to staying at the forefront of her field.

Associations

- ▶ Gender and Law Course Prize (2018)
- ▶ Employment Law Course Prize (2018)