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Bio

Jana Magnuson advises individuals, couples, and families with respect to estate planning, including the preparation of wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, durable financial powers of attorney, and health care directives. She understands that clients find themselves stuck with respect to these important decisions and documents, and enjoys working to clarify their decision-making so that they can move forward with confidence about their futures and the future of their family members and other beneficiaries. Jana regularly assists clients to achieve varied objectives such as gifting, tax reduction, property ownership and management, and protection of assets for children and others. Jana also represents fiduciaries such as personal representatives and trustees with respect to their powers, rights, and duties in probate and trust administrations. And when existing trusts no longer fit a client's financial or life circumstances, she advises trustees and beneficiaries on options for trust modification or termination, whether by agreement, Court procedure, or other legal authority.

Jana is recognized by her peers and leaders in her area of law through her rankings by Chambers (Private Wealth Law) and Best Lawyers in America (Trusts and Estates Law). She has been recognized for her pro bono work with terminally ill clients. She is a current or past member of the Maine Estate Planning Council, Maine State Bar Association, University of Southern Maine Foundation Finance Committee, Edward T. Gignoux Inn of Court, Maine Medical Center Community Ambassador's Council (past Chair), and Portland String Quartet Society (past President).

Practice Areas

Banking & Financial Services
Business & Corporate
Estate Planning & Administration
Land Use & Conservation
Litigation
Probate Litigation

Admissions

Maine
U.S. District Court for the
District of Maine

Jana is a Yarmouth, Maine native who has lived in Portland for more than 20 years.

Education

University of Maine School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*

Duke University, A.B., *cum laude*

Recognition & Awards

Best Lawyers in America® for Trusts & Estates Law (2022 – present)

Chambers High Net Worth Guide for Private Wealth Law (2019-Present)