

BETH L. BARNHARD

COUNSEL



Beth L. Barnhard is counsel in Harwood Lloyd's Wills, Trusts, and Estates department.

Ms. Barnhard is Certified to be an Elder Law Attorney (CELA) by the ABA-accredited National Elder Law Foundation. Ms. Barnhard concentrates her practice on elder and disability law, including Medicaid asset preservation planning; Medicaid applications; Medicaid appeals; Medicaid divorce; capacity counseling; guardianships and protective arrangements; estate administration; probate and fiduciary litigation; and special needs planning.

Ms. Barnhard received her B.A. in Anthropology from Ithaca College, graduating with honors, including cum laude distinction, in 2000. Ms. Barnhard received a Specialty Certificate in American Sign Language Interpreting from Union County College in 2003. She received her J.D. from Western New England College in 2007.

Ms. Barnhard is admitted to practice before the courts of the State of New Jersey (2007), the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey (2007), and the State of New York (2008).

Ms. Barnhard is a past-Chair of the Elder & Disability Law Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association (2018), and a past-President of the New Jersey Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NJNAELA) (2017). Ms. Barnhard is the current Chair of the NJNAELA Litigation Committee and is a member of the National NAELA Litigation Committee. Ms. Barnhard was named as NJNAELA Member of the Year in 2020.

Ms. Barnhard is member of the Board of Directors of the Community Health Law Project and Disability Rights New Jersey.

Ms. Barnhard was named by New Jersey Super Lawyers Magazine as one of the top attorneys in New Jersey for 2020-2021. The selections for this list are made by the research team at *Super Lawyers*, which is a service of the Thomson Reuters, Legal division based in Egan, MN. Each year, the research team at *Super Lawyers* undertakes a multi-phase selection process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, independent evaluation of candidates by the attorney-led research staff, a peer review of candidates by practice area, and a good-standing and disciplinary check.

Ms. Barnhard can communicate in American Sign Language.



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PRACTICE AREAS

- [Wills, Trusts & Estates](#)

EDUCATION

Undergraduate

- Ithaca College (B.A. 2000) Cum Laude

Law School

- Western New England College (J.D. 2007)

ADMISSIONS

Bar Admissions

- New Jersey, 2007
- New York, 2008

Court Admissions

- United States District Court, District of New Jersey, 2007

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

Legal

- Chair of the NJNAELA Litigation Committee
- Member of the National NALEA Litigation Committee
- Past-Chair of the Elder & Disability Law Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association (2018)
- Past-President of the New Jersey Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NJNAELA) (2017)

Civic / Community

- Member of the Board of Directors of the Community Health Law Project
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Disability Rights New Jersey

Awards & Recognition

- NJNAELA Member of the Year in 2020