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Kim Carter Paterson

Kim is a shareholder of BB&T and a member of the firm's Wills, Estates, Trusts, Elder Law, and Planned Giving; Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental; and Municipal groups.

Kim works closely with her clients in developing, implementing, and administering estate plans that fit their unique individual needs. She advises executors, both individual and corporate trustees, throughout the estate or trust administration process. Kim practices in Orphans' Court proceedings, such as fiduciary accountings and adjudications, spousal elections, termination of parental rights, adoptions, and guardianship appointments for incapacitated persons. She also works with families of disabled individuals to establish special needs trust to protect entitlement to public benefits, including Medicaid and SSI.

Kim is well-versed in Medicaid regulations and has a relationship with counsel and caseworkers for the Department of Public Welfare. She is certified to appear before the United States Board of Veterans Affairs to represent veterans and their spouses in claims for veterans' pension benefits.

EDUCATION

- The Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University, J.D.
- Franklin & Marshall College, B.A. *cum laude* (Phi Beta Kappa)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania, 1997
- Supreme Court of the United States of America, 2008
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 2003
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania, 2001
- United States Department of Veterans Affairs, 2010

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Pennsylvania Bar Association (Past Young Lawyer Delegate)
- Lancaster Bar Association Elder Law Section – Member and Past Co-Chair, Estate Planning & Probate Law Section (Member), Young Lawyer Section (Past Co-Chair)
- Lancaster County Estate Planning Council
- Southern Lancaster County Chamber of commerce



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PRACTICE AREAS

Wills
Estates
Trusts
Elder Law
Planned Giving
Special Needs Trusts
Medicaid Planning
Guardianships
Municipal
Real Estate

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- S. June Smith Center Board of Directors (Current Member and Chair of Fund Development Committee)
- Hospice of Lancaster County, Planned Giving Council
- Hospice of Lancaster County Board of Directors, (Past member)
- Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church (Member and Elder)
- No Longer Alone Ministries Board of Directors (Past Member)
- American Cancer Society Southern Lancaster County Relay for Life (Annual Participant and Team Captain)
- National Wild Turkey Federation, Southern End Strutters Chapter (Member, Chair of Turkey Care committee for Needs and Member, Wheelin' Sportsmen Committee)

SEMINARS

- *"Til Death Do Us Part...or Perhaps Longer,"* Lancaster Bar Association, 2011
- *"Planning for Singles: Estate and Investment Basics for Singles, Divorcees, Widows, and Widowers,"* Hospice of Lancaster County Planned Giving Council, 2011
- *"When the Long Arm of the Law Comes Knocking on Your Door...Legal Issues Facing Employers Due to Employees' Personal Legal Matters,"* Professional Women's Forum of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 2011
- *"Estate Planning for Second Marriages,"* Hospice of Lancaster County Planned Giving Council, 2010
- *"Annual Women's Estate Planning Seminar,"* Hospice of Lancaster County Planned Giving Council, Annual presenter from 2003-2010
- *"Estate Planning Checklist: Plan for the Future and Put Your Mind at Ease,"* Hospice of Lancaster County Planned Giving Council, 2009
- *"When the Pieces Fall Apart . . . A Successful Businesswoman's Legal Strategy for Personal and Professional Well-Being,"* Professional Women's Forum of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 2009
- *"Trusts: What They Can and Cannot Do For You,"* Hospice of Lancaster County Planned Giving Council, 2008
- *"Estate Planning and Medical Assistance Planning,"* Lancaster Area Paralegal Association, 2005 & 2006
- *"Medicaid Planning,"* Lancaster Bar Association, 2004