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Norma Stanley is a shareholder, is board certified in Wills, Trusts & Estates by The Florida Bar and holds a Master of Laws in Taxation. She advises clients on estate planning, federal tax, probate, trust administration, guardianships and elder law.

With more than 25 years of legal experience in wealth transfer, business succession, sophisticated tax, trust and estate planning, estate and trust administration and family office creation, Norma represents a myriad of clients, including high net worth individuals and their families, beneficiaries of trusts and estates, trustees and small business owners.

In addition to providing estate planning, including complex estate planning for high net worth individuals, planning for moderately wealthy individuals, and basic planning for modest, non-taxable estates, Norma also provides estate planning services such as estate, gift and generation skipping transfer tax planning, including family office planning, irrevocable trust planning, grantor retained annuity trusts planning, sales to defective grantor trust planning, qualified personal residence trust planning and charitable planning, including charitable trusts and private foundations, family limited partnerships, business succession planning and asset protection planning.

Norma offers probate and estate administration services which include formal administration and summary (small estate) administration and the preparation and filing of federal estate tax returns (Form 706). Trust administration services include wealth transfer management, trust modifications and providing advice to trustees and other fiduciaries as well as representation of trust beneficiaries.

Additional related services include federal estate and gift tax audit representation and preparation and filing of applications for recognition of exemption related to private foundations (Form 1023).

Practices & Industries

Charitable Planning
Estate & Trust Administration
Estate Planning
Family Business & Succession Planning
Guardianship
Private Wealth
Probate & Estate Litigation
Tax
Wealth Planning
Wills & Trusts

Admissions

Alabama
Florida
U.S. Tax Court

Education

- University of Florida Levin College of Law, LLM in Taxation, 1991
- The University of Alabama School of Law, J.D., 1986
- Florida State University, B.S., 1982; Accounting

Recognitions

- Martindale–Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Elder Law, 2009–2024; Trusts and Estates, 2009–2024
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Elder Law Lawyer of the Year, 2024
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2011–2022
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando Lawyer of the Year in Elder Law, 2021
- Five Star Wealth Manager, 2011, 2012
- Top 100 Attorneys, *Worth Magazine*, 2009
- Cambridge Who's Who Among Executive and Professional Women, Honors Edition, 2007–2008
- Continental Who's Who Registry, Legal Section, 2007
- Madison Who's Who Among Executive and Professionals, Honors Edition, 2006–2007

Community Activities

- Florida Executive Women, past President
- Orlando Shakespeare Theater Advisory Council

Professional Certifications & Memberships

- Board Certified: Wills, Trusts and Estates
- Meritas, Board of Directors 2019–2022
- Chair, U.S. Trust and Estates Practice Group, Meritas Law Firms Worldwide
- Chair, Business Development Committee, Meritas Law Firms Worldwide
- The Florida Bar, Board of Legal Specialization & Education Committee
- The Florida Bar, Ethics Committee
- Past Chair, The Florida Bar, Wills, Trusts and Estates Certification Committee
- Central Florida Estate Planning Council
- Central Florida Association of Women Lawyers
- Orange County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
- Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys
- Alabama State Bar Association

News

Best Lawyers Recognizes 49 Lowndes Attorneys in 2024, Three Named Lawyer of the Year
08.17.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

14 Lowndes Attorneys Named to *Orlando Family Magazine's* "Awesome Attorneys 2023"
02.21.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

46 Lowndes Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers* in 2023
08.18.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

19 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2022 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
07.05.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Julia Frey, Norma Stanley Recognized in 2022 Best Lawyers: Family Law Publication
12.20.2021 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2022, Five Named Lawyer of the Year
08.19.2021 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2021, Two Named Lawyer of the Year
08.20.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Norma Stanley Appointed to the Board of Legal Specialization & Education of The Florida Bar
06.24.2020 | PRESS RELEASE

22 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2020 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
06.04.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Three Lowndes Lawyers Earn Recognition in Best Lawyers in America 2020
08.15.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

29 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2019 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
05.29.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Norma Stanley Elected to The Board of Meritas, Which is a Global Alliance of Independent Business Law Firms
04.16.2019 | PRESS RELEASE

Forty-Four Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2019 Best Lawyers in America
08.15.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys Rated 2018 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
06.18.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Nine Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2018 Best Lawyers in America
08.15.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys Rated 2017 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
06.01.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION