



Trusts and Estates

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Brach Eichler's Trusts and Estates Practice provides state-of-the-art estate planning for clients and their families, as well as estate and trust administration. Our clients include individuals, closely held business owners, charities, trustees, executors, and personal representatives.

Our attorneys have deep experience with the most sophisticated estate planning vehicles and routinely deal with complicated issues associated with intergenerational planning. The practice has implemented estate plans involving:

- Family limited partnerships and limited liability companies
- Grantor-retained annuity trusts
- Personal residence trusts
- Qualified personal residence trusts
- Dynasty trusts and other generation-skipping transfers
- Intentionally defective grantor trusts
- Irrevocable life insurance trusts (for individual life coverage as well as second-to-die / survivorship coverage)
- Split dollar life insurance planning
- Charitable remainder and lead trusts

- Private charitable foundations
- Private annuities
- Asset protection trusts
- Special needs planning
- Retirement planning including planning for qualified plans and IRAs
- Financial powers of attorney
- Prenuptial agreements
- Living wills, health care directives, and combined advanced directives

Additionally, the practice represents business owners with business succession planning, preparation of buy-sell agreements, shareholder's agreements, employment agreements, assistance with pension matters, and general tax planning.

Our attorneys are also actively involved in all aspects of the administration of estates and trusts, including sophisticated postmortem tax planning; gift, estate, and inheritance tax return preparation/audit defense; disclaimer planning; and probate court administration. This includes will challenges, will and trust reformation, contested accountings, and fiduciary litigation. The practice, working in conjunction with our Litigation Practice, provides probate litigation attorneys and guardianship petitions. Through our team of experienced attorneys, paralegals, and support staff we handle:

- Planning and preparation of gift, estate, and inheritance tax returns, and fiduciary income tax returns
- Probate court accountings
- Review and analysis of valuation reports
- Working closely with certified public accountants
- Coordination with financial planners
- All other documents required for administering sophisticated estates

Our Promise

At Brach Eichler, we are committed to a dynamic and meaningful partnership with our clients. We move forward with a shared vision, one that is carefully crafted and thoughtfully and practically implemented. Together, we achieve success.

Insights



News, April 29, 2019

Dromsky-Reed to Speak at Estate Planning College



Articles, April 17, 2019

Brach Eichler Names First Woman in its History to Serve on Executive Committee
ROI-NJ



Articles, April 17, 2019

Dromsky-Reed becomes Brach Eichler's 1st female executive committee member
NJBIZ



Articles, April 16, 2019

Brach Eichler Elects First Woman to Executive Committee
New Jersey Law Journal



Press Releases, April 9, 2019

Brach Eichler Appoints Susan Dromsky-Reed to Firm's Executive Committee



Press Releases, March 12, 2019

16 Brach Eichler Members Included in 2019 New Jersey Super Lawyers



Articles, March 5, 2019

Can this unmarried 84-year-old man avoid the inheritance tax?
NJ.com (quoted in)



Books, January 15, 2019

New Jersey Tax Handbook, Published by American Lawyer Media
Chapter on New Jersey Inheritance and Estate Tax, 2006-2019 Editions



Lectures, December 7, 2018

Grantor Trusts and the Qualified Business Income Deduction (199A): Some Highlights
Brach Eichler CPA Series



Events, December 7, 2018

Grantor Trusts & the Qualified Business Income Deduction (199A) Seminar



Lectures, October 24, 2018

Tax Strategies in the Trump Era: Unique Income and Estate Planning Concepts for Tax Professionals

2018 Essex County Estate Planning Council Annual Meeting



Press Releases, October 16, 2018

Brach Eichler Adds Five Attorneys in Key Practices



Articles, October 15, 2018

What you need to know about tax-free property exchanges

NJ.com (quoted in)



Lectures, October 2, 2018

Trust Taxation

Passaic County Chapter of NJCPA



Articles, October 1, 2018

Can the state seize my Homestead Rebate and give it to the IRS?

NJ.com (quoted in)



Lectures, August 22, 2018

GT Trust Administration Challenges: Post-Mortem Strategies to Minimize Generation Skipping Transfer Tax

Co-Presenter



Press Releases, May 22, 2018

Dromsky-Reed Elected to NJSBA Real Property and T&E Law Section Board of Consultants



News, May 14, 2018

Gladstone named to NJ Best Lawyers for Families 2018

NJ Family Magazine



Articles, April 23, 2018

Estate Planning in the Age of Cryptocurrency

New Jersey Law Journal



Events, April 13, 2018

Dromsky-Reed Hosts New Jersey Inheritance Tax Roundtableaaaa



Articles, March 8, 2018

Sharing a bank account with a minor

NJ.com (quoted in)



Articles, March 2, 2018

Do I owe N.J. taxes on Florida inheritance?

NJ.com (quoted in)



Articles, February 15, 2018

Inherited IRAs and your tax burden

NJ.com (quoted in)



Articles, February 12, 2018

Understanding codes on tax forms

NJ.com (quoted in)



Lectures, February 9, 2018

Everyone Needs A Will and Other Simple But Valuable Information to Give Your Clientsaaaa

Women Inspiring Women Female State Farm Agent Symposium



Lectures, January 24, 2018

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017: Implications and Considerations

Brach Eichler CPA Series



Lectures, October 26, 2017

Estate Planning, S Corporations and Trusts: The Intersection of Gifting Strategies, Income Tax and the Family Business

Brach Eichler CPA Series



Lectures, September 18, 2017

S Corporations and Partnerships: Significant Differences in Tax Treatment

Brach Eichler CPA Series



Lectures, May 25, 2017

Today's Best Advanced Life Insurance Ideas Explained - In a Way That You Will Understand Them

2017 Essex County Estate Planning Council Annual Meeting



Lectures, April 5, 2017

NJ (Not So) Basic Estate Administration & Planning Program

Essex County Bar Foundation



Lectures, April 4, 2017

Estate Planning College: Overview Of New Jersey Death Taxes

NJICLE Panelist



News, March 15, 2017

New Jersey Super Lawyers Magazine Names Fourteen Attorneys of Brach Eichler as New Jersey Super Lawyers and Five as Rising Stars