



## **TWO ROADS DIVERGE: LITIGATING TRUST, ESTATE, AND FIDUCIARY DISPUTES IN PROBATE COURT VS. SUPERIOR COURT**

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On June 2, 2026, Wyatt R. Jansen, Principal, and Charles W. Pieterse, Principal and Co-Head of the Fiduciary Litigation Group, at Cummings & Lockwood, delivered a presentation entitled “Two Roads Diverge: Litigating Trust, Estate, and Fiduciary Disputes in Probate Court vs. Superior Court” at The Connecticut Legal Conference, the annual meeting of the Connecticut Bar Association, held at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford. David Hopper, Judge of the Greenwich Probate Court, served as a co-presenter.

The program examined recent statutory changes that give parties the choice between probate court and superior court for most trust, estate, and fiduciary proceedings. Significant procedural, substantive, and practical differences between the two forums make this choice a critical strategic decision, particularly in contested and complex matters. This seminar guided lawyers on how to make this important decision by exploring both the legal and real-world differences between these two forums and how these major differences can be used to their advantage.