

CUMMINGS & LOCKWOOD LLC



LAURA WEINTRAUB BECK

Background

Laura Weintraub Beck is Firm-wide Chairman and Managing Director of Cummings & Lockwood. She is based in the Greenwich office. She focuses her practice on estate planning, including business succession planning and planning for real estate holdings, estate administration, probate litigation and trust administration.

Laura was formerly the Chairman of Cummings & Lockwood's Private Clients Group. In addition, she was previously Director of Client Communication for the Private Clients Group and in charge of attorney training for several years. Prior to attending law school, Laura worked for the United States Senate Judiciary Committee drafting reports and legislation relating to crime and drug policies.

Practice Areas

- Private Clients Group - Former Chair
- Wills, Trusts and Estate Planning
- Probate and Estate Administration
- Fiduciary and Trustee Services
- Wealth Protection Planning
- Philanthropic Giving
- International Estate and Tax Planning
- Business Succession Planning
- Estate Planning for Hedge Fund and Private Equity Principals
- Estate Planning for Corporate Executives
- Estate Planning for Collectors, Authors, Artists and Musicians
- Family Office and Closely Held Business Group

Education

- Trinity College (B.A., 1992)
- Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (M.P.P., 1995)
- Columbia Law School (J.D., 2000)



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Bar Admissions

- Connecticut, 2000
- New York, 2001

Professional Organizations

- Connecticut Bar Association, Estates & Probate Section, Executive Committee
- New York State Bar Association
- Fairfield County Bar Association
- Greenwich Bar Association

Professional Recognition

- The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), Fellow
- Chambers and Partners, High Net Worth Guide, Notable Practitioner, 2019 - Present
- The Best Lawyers in America, 2018 - Present
- The Best Lawyers in America, "Lawyer of the Year" in Tax Law, in 2022 and 2024, Stamford Metro Area
- Connecticut and New England Super Lawyers, 2013 - Present
- Greenwich YWCA BRAVA Award Honoree, 2016, which recognizes women achievers who have excelled in their professional careers and who also volunteer their time and talent to help others

Civic and Philanthropic Activity

- Metropolitan Museum of Art, Professional Advisory Council Member
- Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut, Director and former Chairman of the Board
- Liberation Programs, Director
- Fairfield County's Community Foundation, Professional Advisors Council, Chair of Emeritus Council
- Greenwich Tree Conservancy, Advisory Board Member
- Truglia Thumelina Fund, Foundation Board Member
- New Canaan Country School, Alumni Council, Former Member

Articles/Publications/Presentations

- Death Taxes in Connecticut, 4th Edition, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Drafting Wills in Connecticut, 3rd Edition, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Drafting Trusts in Connecticut, 2nd Edition, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Revocable Trusts and Trust Administration, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Incapacity, Powers of Attorney and Adoption in Connecticut, 4th Edition, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Connecticut Domestic Asset Protection Trusts
- Connecticut Probate Deskbook, co-author, Thomson Reuters
- Family and Business Succession Planning, 2014 Edition, *Inside the Minds*, co-author, Aspatore
- Estate Planning Client Strategies, 2012 Edition, *Inside the Minds*, co-author, Aspatore