

PRACTICE-AREAS

Wills, Trusts & Estate Planning

Our highly experienced wills, trusts and estate planning team focuses on strategies that can help you preserve and safeguard wealth. We offer a complete range of solutions involving estates, trusts, business succession, asset protection, wealth transfer, tax planning and estate administration – all focused on helping you achieve your personal and financial goals. Our broad client base ranges from high net-worth individuals and families to corporate executives and owners of closely held businesses.

Our attorneys can help you use trusts and other devices both during your lifetime and at your death to transfer assets and minimize federal and state taxes. We have especially significant experience in helping families transfer business ownership and management from one generation to the next. That includes navigating the legal and tax implications, sustaining the viability of the business and preserving family harmony.

You'll find collaboration is our hallmark. To provide the best guidance, our team routinely works as a trusted partner to CPAs, investment advisors and other professionals.

Our Experience

- **Asset protection plans** to preserve and transfer wealth
- **Litigation** related to estates and trusts, including will caveats, spousal dissents and fiduciary proceedings
- **Protections for family members with special needs**, including guardianships, conservatorships, trusts and medical assistance under government benefit programs
- **Tax planning** involving various financial plans, insurance policies, investments, charitable giving and wealth transfer strategies
- **Trusts**, including living, testamentary, revocable, irrevocable, funded and unfunded
- **Wills**, powers of attorney and advance health directives
- **Succession plans and generational transfer of businesses**, including harmonious solutions to potentially complex interpersonal dynamics

Practice Attorneys

J. Aaron Bennett

Director

(336) 478-1105

jab@crlaw.com

Adia S. Caviness

Associate

(336) 478-1110

asc@crlaw.com

Christopher W. Genheimer

Director

(336) 478-1156
cwg@crlaw.com

Ronald P. Johnson

Special Counsel

(336) 478-1189
rpj@crlaw.com

Brandon K. Jones

Director

(336) 478-1160
bkj@crlaw.com

Davis McDonald

Special Counsel

(336) 478-1118
dm@crlaw.com

Sydney ter Avest

Associate

(336) 478-1187
sta@crlaw.com

Keith A. Wood

Director

(336) 478-1185
kaw@crlaw.com

Practice Paralegals

Suzanne M. Carpenter

Paralegal

(336) 478-1191
smc@crlaw.com

Cynthia A. Knight

Paralegal

(336) 478-1186
cak@crlaw.com

Related Practices

Business

Tax

Wills, Trusts & Estate Planning

Related News

NEWS

Carruthers & Roth Welcomes New Associate Adia Caviness

September 27, 2024

NEWS

Twelve Carruthers & Roth Attorneys Named to 2024 Best Lawyers®; Four Attorneys Named to 2024 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America

August 17, 2023

NEWS

Carruthers & Roth Expands Estates and Business Planning Practice Groups

November 10, 2021

Related Resources

RESOURCES

The Tortured Estates Department: 13 Estate Planning Insights Inspired by Song Titles from Taylor Swift's Album "The Tortured Poets Department."

July 17, 2024

RESOURCES

Protecting Business Clients Through Strategic Contracting

December 07, 2022

RESOURCES

**Tax and Business Opportunities (And Pitfalls) in Making Loans
and Capital Contributions to Your Closely Held Business**

September 06, 2022

Carruthers & Roth, P.A.
(336) 379-8651
235 North Edgeworth Street
P.O. Box 540 (27402)
Greensboro, NC 27401