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PRACTICE AREAS

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Trust & Estate Litigation

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Litigation

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Trusts, Estates & Legacy
Planning

COURT MEMBERSHIPS

- Minnesota
- Colorado

EDUCATION

Amy Erickson

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Amy Erickson has a robust probate, trust, guardianship, and fiduciary litigation practice. She is passionate about helping clients resolve disputes over the administration of trusts or estates, will and trust contests, and contested matters of guardianship or conservatorship. Amy works diligently to make sure her clients' interests are protected, and her interpersonal skills make her an effective advocate for clients in these often highly emotional cases.

Amy also draws in her broad policy, political, and campaign experience, advising nonprofit advocacy organizations in connection with political and lobbying activities and compliance with federal and state campaign finance laws and representing voting rights organizations in connection with election-related litigation.

Before joining the firm, Amy held various public section positions, including Policy Director for the Colorado State Senate Majority Office and field coordinator for a congressional campaign.

Representative Experience:

- Represent hospitals seeking guardianships for patients lacking capacity and in need to emergency and/or permanent decision makers.
- Represented three children challenging their mother's trust on the grounds of undue influence.
- Represented trust beneficiary and vulnerable adult in contested action to invalidate trust disclaimer on grounds of undue influence and lack of capacity, securing temporary restraining order freezing disputed assets in possession and control of trustee and paving way to favorable settlement.

University of Minnesota Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2017, *Law & Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice*, Volume 35, Editor-in-Chief

Gustavus Adolphus College, B.A., with honors, 2009

- Represented Common Cause Minnesota, OneMinnesota.org and Voices for Racial Justice in Minnesota's special judicial redistricting proceedings, advocating for the rights and interests of Minnesotans of color. Presented oral argument before five-judge Special Redistricting Panel on January 4, 2022, the final public step in a series of hearings held to gather input on redistricting and defend proposed maps intended to give Minnesota's growing minority communities the most influential and impactful voice on voting district boundaries.
- Represented *League of Women Voters of Minnesota & Vivian Latimer Tanniehill v. Steve Simon* in an election law case where absentee-voter witness requirements were removed during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Obtained a Federal Court injunction under the Voting Rights Act for *League of Women Voters of Minnesota & Council on Islamic American Relations v. Atlas Ageis & Anthony Caudle*.
- Represented the District of Columbia and 14 States in *Donald J. Trump For President, Inc., et al. v. Steve Simon (Robert LaRose, et al., Intervenors)* in a case regarding mail-in ballots postmarked by Election Day.

Events

- Trustee Bootcamp: Session 1
October 12, 2022

Presentations

- Co-presenter, "Lessons Learned from Celebrity Contested Estates," Minnesota CLE Estate Planning Webcast, October 26, 2022
- Co-presenter, "How to Reduce the Likelihood of Estate and Trust Litigation in the Planning and Administration Phases," Denver Estate Planning Council Virtual Meeting, March 17, 2022

Publications

- Co-Author, "In Defense of the Guardianship and Conservatorship: A Tool to Protect the Most Vulnerable," *Westlaw Today powered by Reuters*, June 24, 2022
- Co-Author, "Undue Influence in Estate Planning: When Help Goes Too Far," Hennepin County Bar Association, April 23, 2020
- Authored, *Selma to Selma: Modern Day Voter Discrimination in Alabama*, 35 75 (2017)

Client Alerts And Blog Posts

- Minnesota Court of Appeals Confirms Immunity from Financial Liability for Guardians
August 31, 2022
- Minnesota Enacts “Harmless Error” Rule Relaxing Formalities That Govern the Execution of Wills
April 17, 2020
- Nonprofit Alert: Federal Election Commission 2019-2020 Contribution Limits
February 27, 2019

In The News

- Pro Bono Awards Honor Commitment to Community
July 18, 2019

News Releases

- Lathrop GPM Attorneys Named 2023 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
July 18, 2023
- 23 Lathrop GPM Attorneys in Minneapolis Recognized for 2022 Pro Bono Service
June 5, 2023
- Lathrop GPM Associate Amy Erickson Receives Minnesota Lawyer Up & Coming Award
August 3, 2022
- Lathrop GPM Attorneys in Minnesota Recognized for Pro Bono Service
June 21, 2022
- Attorneys Recognized for Pro Bono Service
June 14, 2019
- Gray Plant Mooty Hires New Associates
September 13, 2017

Professional Affiliations

- Minnesota Women Lawyers' Partner Leadership Council, Co-Chair

Community Involvement

- Board Member, Emerge Colorado, 2013-2014

- *AmeriCorps* Volunteer, 2009-2010

Honors

- *Thomson Reuters*, "Minnesota Rising Star," 2023
- Minnesota State Bar Association, "North Star Lawyers," 2018, 2021-2023
- Hennepin County Bar Association, Excellence Award for Providing Pro Bono Services, 2022
- *Minnesota Lawyer*, "Up & Coming Attorney," 2022
- 2017 National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Student Award