

## Clare Capaccioli Velasquez

### Counsel

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**Clare Capaccioli Velasquez is a litigator with over a decade of experience focused on trust and estate litigation. As Counsel at Lathrop GPM, Clare skillfully navigates clients through all stages of litigation, including mediation and trial.**

Clare represents beneficiaries, professional fiduciaries, trustees, executors and personal representatives in disputed litigation matters. Her practice focuses on trust and probate disputes, with experience in cases involving financial elder abuse, contested accounting, will and trust contests, capacity and undue influence issues, breach of fiduciary duties and trust asset recovery. She also advises clients on reformation, construction and modification matters related to estates and trusts with an eye towards avoiding litigation and protecting trust assets.

In addition to her trust and estate litigation work, Clare has represented clients in various general and complex litigation matters, including business and real estate disputes, mass tort claims and consumer rights cases. Her ability to handle intricate legal challenges has made her a trusted advisor and advocate.

Prior to joining Lathrop GPM, Clare was a senior litigation attorney at a multi-service California law firm, where she focused on estate and trust litigation.

### Areas of Focus

#### Services

[Private Client Services](#)

[Trust & Estate Litigation](#)

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## Credentials

### Education

- University of San Francisco School of Law, J.D.
- University of Southern California, B.A., International Studies, Economics

### Bar Admissions

- California

## Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

## Recognition

- *Northern California Super Lawyers*, "Rising Stars," 2020-2024
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## Publications

- Co-author, "Trustee's Obligation to Maintain Impartiality in Trust Litigation: *Zahnleuter v. Mueller* (2023) 88 Cal.App.5th 1294," *California Trusts & Estates Quarterly* 2023, Volume 29, Issue 4, California Lawyers Association
  - Co-author, "We should never be *Royals*," *Daily Journal*, November 29, 2022
  - Author, "My First Trial: Long Discovery Avoids Surprises in the Courtroom," *Plaintiff's Magazine*, February 2016
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## Professional Activities

- Silicon Valley Bar Association, Executive Committee Education Chair
- American Bar Association, Member
- California Lawyers Association – Trust and Estates Section, Member
- San Mateo County Bar Association
  - Estate Planning/Probate Section, Member
  - Business Litigation Section, Member