Maura C. Carney

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Maura's practice focuses on sophisticated estate planning for high-net-worth individuals (HNWI), including the preparation of wills, trusts, and prenuptial agreements; lifetime wealth transfer strategies, including the use of leveraging techniques such as grantor retained annuity trusts, sales to intentionally-defective grantor trusts, and qualified personal residence trusts; estate and trust administration, including the preparation of estate and gift tax returns and handling of probate court matters; and charitable planning, including establishing charitable trusts and foundations and assisting organizations that wish to obtain tax-exempt status.

Before joining Sullivan, Maura was in the Private Client Group of another Boston firm and served as a law clerk to the Honorable George A. O'Toole Jr. of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Capabilities

- Public Charities & Private Foundations
- Tax
- High Net Worth Individuals and Family Offices
- Private Clients/Trusts & Estates

Education

- Yale Law School (J.D.)
- James Cook University (M.App.Sci, *with distinction*)
- Wake Forest University (B.S., *summa cum laude*)

Bar & Court Admissions

- Massachusetts

Professional Qualifications

- Massachusetts Bar Association
- Boston Bar Association

Awards & Honors

- *Boston* Magazine Top Lawyers, Trusts and Estates (2021, 2024-2025)

Community Engagement

- Women's Leadership Program, Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce