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Stephanie, a Director with Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A., is Certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation. She is also a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law by the Ohio State Bar Association, and is VA-accredited through the Department of Veterans Affairs. With this designation, she is able to represent veterans and their families with planning related to veteran's benefits.

Her practice is concentrated in the areas of estate planning, trusts and probate law and elder law and special needs planning, which includes the drafting of wills, revocable trusts, irrevocable trusts and powers of attorney, assisting with the administration of trusts and estates, and advising clients in the areas of Medicaid and asset protection planning.

EDUCATION

- University of Delaware, B.A., 2007
- University of Akron School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2011
 - Member of the Law Review, the Law Review Editorial Board and participated in the Student Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Served as a law clerk at the Akron Municipal Court with Judge Jerry Larson and Judge Joy Malek Oldfield where she was responsible for scheduling civil docket, preparing court orders, reviewing motions, and participating in pretrial and status conferences and trials

COURTS AND ADMISSIONS

- Ohio Bar (2011)
- Florida Bar (2016)

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

- Stark County Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- The Golden Key Center for Exceptional Children, Board of Directors
- The Stark County Humane Society Board of Directors
- Canton Players Guild Theatre, Board of Directors, Past Member
- Women's Impact Group, Past Member

HONORS & AWARDS

PRACTICE AREAS

- Estate Planning, Probate & Elder Law
- Special Needs Trusts
- Business Succession Planning
- Elder Law Transition
- Charitable Planning
- Conservatorship
- Guardianship
- Medicaid Planning & Asset Protection Planning
- Planning for Veteran's Benefits
- Planning with Irrevocable Trusts
- Powers of Attorney
- Revocable Trusts
- Wills

Best Lawyers
ONES TO WATCH

Super Lawyers

- *Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® "Ones To Watch" (top young lawyers) 2021, 2022*
- *Listed in Ohio Rising Stars (top lawyers under 40) by Ohio Super Lawyers, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*

NOTABLE PRESENTATIONS OR PUBLICATIONS

- *Domestic Asset Protection Trusts Come to Ohio, MD News, July/August 2013*

ARTICLES PUBLISHED BY STEPHANIE A. LEHOTA

- [Estate Planning For Young Adults](#)