



# Kristen Hosack Pace

PARTNER

Kristen Hosack Pace assists clients with general estate planning, including wills and trusts, lifetime gift planning, estate administration, and charitable planning.



## Industries

[Family Office Services](#)  
[Private Companies](#)

## Practices

[Private Clients, Trusts & Estates](#)

## Languages

Spanish

## Education

University of Illinois, College of Law, JD, summa cum laude, 2014 (University of Illinois Law Review, Articles Editor; Order of the Coif; CALI Awards in nine classes, including Income Tax and Secured Transactions; Rickert Award for Excellence in Academic Achievement)

Illinois Wesleyan University, BA, summa cum laude, 2011 (Phi Beta Kappa; Constructing the Past, Editor)  
Fundacion Ortega y Gasset, Madrid, Spain, Study Abroad Program, 2009

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Kristen Hosack Pace advises high net worth individuals and families on their estate planning, tax and financial planning, gifting and tax mitigation strategies, business formation and succession planning and charitable giving. Kristen understands that our clients' situations require both "EQ" and "IQ," as we often must navigate both complicated family dynamics and complex legal issues. She combines her experience with sophisticated estate planning techniques with her ability to make clients comfortable and earn their trust to deliver practical and useful solutions. In 2022, the Family Wealth Alliance named Kristen to its Young Professionals in Family Wealth list, which honors family wealth professionals under 40 who have demonstrated success in their careers and made significant contributions to the industry.

## Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

### Publications

- Enhanced Opportunity for GRATs as a Powerful Estate Planning Technique, Schiff Hardin Alert (Mar. 2020)
- Domestic Asset Protection Trusts chapter of the 2018 edition of Asset Protection Planning for the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education (co-author with Kim Kamin)
- In re Estate of Thomas F. Shelton: Insights and Impact, October 2017 Edition of the Illinois State Bar Association Trusts and Estates Section Newsletter
- "Holy Smokes! Can the Government Compel Tobacco Companies to Engage in Inflammatory Commercial Speech?" *University of Illinois Law Review* (Summer 2014)

### Presentations

- So You've Been Asked to Serve as a Family Fiduciary - Now What?
- Planning for Succession and How to Manage Generational Transfer
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Expanding the Discussion: Eight Key Issues for Private Business Owners

- Fiduciary Income Tax Planning and Updates

### **Recognitions**

- Young Professionals in Family Wealth Award, Family Wealth Alliance (2022)
- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, *Best Lawyers* (2021-2024)

### **Boards, Memberships & Certifications**

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- Illinois State Bar Association (Trusts and Estates Section)
  - Chicago Bar Association
  - Young Professionals Network (YPN) of the Family Wealth Alliance
  - Young Estate Planners Discussion Group, Member
  - Mark Morton Memorial Fund, Secretary
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### **Bar Admissions**

[Illinois](#)