# Melissa C. Steen

### **Associate**

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### Location

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### **Honors & Distinctions**

The Best Lawyers in America

Ones to Watch, Trusts and Estates Litigation, 2024-Present

#### Palm Beach Illustrated

Top Lawyers, Elder Law, 2024
Top Lawyers, Trusts and Estates, 2024

### Education

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law, cum laude

B.A., Quinnipiac University, cum laude

#### Admissions

The Florida Bar



Melissa Steen is a member of the **Trust & Estate Litigation** and **Private Wealth, Wills, Trusts & Estates** practice groups. She represents clients in litigation involving trusts and estates, guardianship, and fiduciary disputes.

Melissa is involved in several legal organizations, including the Florida Association for Women Lawyers Palm Beach County chapter, where she is a member of its **FAWL** in Love With GAL Committee; The Florida Bar's Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section; and the Palm Beach County Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section. She has been selected by her peers for inclusion in the peer-reviewed publication *The Best Lawyers in America*, where she was recognized on the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America* list for trusts and estates litigation.

Melissa earned her Juris Doctor degree and graduated *cum laude* from the University of Florida Levin College of Law where she served as a notes advisor for the *Florida Law Review*, a student research assistant in the area of criminal law, and a teaching assistant in the areas of legal writing and appellate advocacy. She was an active member of the Legal Honor Society of Phi Delta Phi and the Law Association for Women. During her undergraduate studies, she was a founding member of the Mock Trial Team, and she gained valuable experience as an intern for the Honorable James Rooney of the Supreme Court in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of New York.

#### **Affiliations**

## Palm Beach County Bar Association

Member, Membership Committee, 2024-Present Member, Young Lawyers Section, 2022-Present

#### The Florida Bar

Member, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law, 2022-Present

#### Florida Association for Women Lawyers

Member, FAWL in Love With GAL Committee, 2023-Present Member, Palm Beach County Chapter, 2022-Present