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Andrea Sinclair is a trusted counselor and valued guide for individuals and families as she helps them plan for and navigate life's joys, challenges, and transitions. She understands that the trust and estate planning, administration, and litigation matters she handles are both deeply personal and profoundly impactful. She also recognizes that clients often call upon her during times of mourning, conflict, or stress. Combining legal acumen with a deep sense of empathy and genuine concern for her clients' well-being, Andrea is the steady hand and sage counsel on which they rely.

In her estate planning practice, Andrea knows that the discussions and issues involved in creating an estate plan can be uncomfortable and unfamiliar for her clients. That is why she explains sophisticated strategies in clear, plain language so each client understands and appreciates the content of their estate plan and how it will protect them and their families in the years ahead. Collaborative in spirit and recognizing the importance of holistic estate planning strategies, Andrea frequently consults with clients' advisors, accountants, managers, and family offices to create tailored estate plans, promote clients' values, and accomplish sophisticated wealth transfer and preservation goals.

Andrea drafts wills, powers of attorney, living wills, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements, trusts (including revocable "living" trusts, Tennessee Community Property Trusts, Tennessee Investment Services Trusts, and dynasty trusts), and other tax-efficient vehicles. Trustees, guardians, conservators, and executors turn to Andrea for assistance in satisfying their fiduciary duties and performing their responsibilities. Andrea manages the administration and litigation of trusts, probate estates, guardianships, and conservatorships for clients, particularly high-net-worth individuals, business owners and founders, c-suite executives, and their traditional and non-traditional families.

When disputes and conflicts arise, Andrea brings her substantial litigation experience to seek resolutions that protect and advance her clients' interests. She represents clients in matters such as:

- Estate and trust administration disputes
- Termination and modification of trusts and gift agreements
- Real estate disputes, including quiet title actions, breach of contract claims, boundary disputes, and adverse possession claims
- Contested conservatorships and guardianships
- Will constructions and contests

Andrea also helps clients select and form for-profit and non-profit business entities and assists them with corporate governance, operational matters, and tax exemption qualification and compliance.

Education

- Vanderbilt University School of Law, J.D
 - Member, *Order of the Coif*
 - Notes Editor, *Vanderbilt Law Review*
 - Thomas C. Banks Jessup Award Recipient
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro, B.S., Economics and B.A., Political Science, *summa cum laude*
 - Beta Gamma Sigma
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Truman Scholarship Finalist

Admissions

- Tennessee

Recognition

- Fellow, Nashville Bar Foundation, Class of 2024
- *Nashville Post* “In Charge” list, Legal (2024)
- *Best Lawyers in America®*, Litigation – Trusts and Estates; Trusts and Estates (2026)
- *Best Lawyers in America®* “One to Watch,” Litigation – Trusts and Estates; Trusts and Estates (2021 – 2025)

Speaking Engagements

- “Steering the Ship: Strategies for Navigating Conflict with Beneficiaries,” Tennessee Bankers Association Trust & Wealth Management Conference (2025)
- “Estates and Trusts in Tennessee: A Primer on Probate Proceedings and Practices,” Presenter, Tennessee Judicial Conference (2025)
- “Choppy Waters: Strategies for Navigating Conflict Between Fiduciaries and Beneficiaries,” Presenter, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) Southern Regional Meeting (2025)

Professional Activities

- Member, Class III, Southeast Fellows Institute of the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel
- Member, Estate Planning and Probate, Litigation, and Real Estate Law Sections, Tennessee Bar Association
- Member, Estate Planning and Probate Section, Nashville Bar Association
- Member, Estate Planning Council of Middle Tennessee
- Member, Litigation and Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Sections, American Bar Association
- Member, Management Committee, Sherrard Roe Voigt & Harbison
- Member, Young Lawyers Division, Nashville Bar Association

Civic Activities

- Board Member and Executive Committee Member, Raising Resilience Tennessee

- Former Chair of Board of Directors, Raising Resilience Tennessee (2023 – 2025)
- Member, Breakfast Club of Nashville