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Jennifer guides families through the legal and tax complexities that arise after a loved one dies, turning an overwhelming process into a clear path forward for surviving spouses and the next generation.

Jennifer helps families navigate the complex and often emotional process of settling an estate during one of the most difficult times in their lives. Based in Seattle, she focuses her practice on trust and estate administration following the death of a family member, guiding surviving spouses, heirs, fiduciaries, and beneficiaries through probate, trust administration, and the preparation of federal and Washington estate tax returns.

Jennifer has extensive experience handling estate tax matters, including successfully navigating estate tax examinations conducted by the Internal Revenue Service and the Washington Department of Revenue and negotiating favorable resolutions with tax authorities.

A significant part of Jennifer's practice involves helping clients understand what it means to serve as a fiduciary in both a legal and practical sense. She advises executors, trustees, and personal representatives regarding their fiduciary duties and the steps necessary to administer estates and trusts in compliance with county, state, and federal requirements. In addition to guiding the administration process, Jennifer works with clients to identify planning opportunities for surviving spouses and future generations, including strategies for lifetime gifting and other techniques designed to reduce Washington and federal estate tax exposure.

Jennifer approaches every engagement as a collaborative effort. Whether working directly with a fiduciary or coordinating with family members, accountants, investment advisors, and family office professionals, she serves as a trusted team member dedicated to helping clients achieve efficient, practical, and thoughtful estate administration outcomes.

Education

- Seattle University School of Law (J.D., 2012)
- University of Washington (B.A., Psychology, 1995)

Bar Admissions

- Washington

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- King County Washington Women Lawyers
- People's Memorial Association
- Volunteer attorney for King County Bar Association
- Volunteer attorney for Wayfind
- Seattle University School of Law, Women's Law Caucus

Accolades

- Consistently providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need through Dorsey's Pro Bono program