

Erin A. Norcia

Erin A. Norcia is a partner at Temmerman, Cilley, Kohlmann & Norcia, LLP. She joined the firm in 2005. Ms. Norcia's practice focuses on trust, probate, and conservatorship litigation, including but not limited to will contests, trust contests, financial elder abuse, fiduciary removal and surcharge, accounting disputes, reformation, modification, and interpretation of estate planning documents, disputed real property claims, contested conservatorships, and related civil litigation.

Ms. Norcia handles every stage of litigation, including pre-lawsuit negotiation, discovery, law and motion, mediation, arbitration, early neutral evaluation, trial, and appeal. Ms. Norcia is admitted to practice law in all superior courts of California, all appellate courts of California, the Supreme Court of California, and all federal district courts in California.

In addition, Ms. Norcia represents trustees, executors, agents, and beneficiaries in contentious trust and estate administrations, as well as assists clients with preparation of their personal estate plans, including living trusts, wills, durable powers of attorney, advance health care directives, nominations of guardians, and all property transfer documents.

In 2019, Ms. Norcia was elected on to the California Lawyers Association Trusts and Estates Executive Committee which reviews and proposes revisions to the California Probate Code, and she is an editor of the California Trusts and Estates Quarterly, a scholarly journal. In 2022, Ms. Norcia was selected as a fellow of the prestigious American college of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACETC). Ms. Norcia is also an Adjunct Professor of the Wills & Trusts Course at Santa Clara University School of Law.

Education

- **Santa Clara University School of Law**, Santa Clara, California
 - J.D. – 2006
 - Honors: Witkin Award for Estate Planning and Taxation, 2006
 - Honors: Best Oral Advocate Award, 2005
 - Honors: CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Legal Research and Writing, 2004
 - Honors: Santa Clara University Pro Bono Plaque for volunteer legal services provided to the community
 - Honors: National Moot Court Competition, Represented SCU
 - Law Review: Santa Clara Law Review, Business Editor, 2005 – 2006
- **San Jose State University**
 - B.A. – 2002
 - Major: Biology
- **Oxford University, 2004**
 - Major: Comparative Intellectual Property Law Program

Professional Associations And Memberships

- California Lawyers Association Trusts and Estates Executive Committee, 2019 – Present
- Diablo Valley Estate Planning Council, 2018 – Present
- California Lawyers Association, 2013 – Present (Trusts and Estates Section, Member)
- Contra Costa County Bar Association, 2013 – Present (Member, Estate Planning & Probate Section)
- Tri-Valley Estate Planning Council, 2013 – Present (Member, Former Board Member)
- California Dept. of Real Estate, 2005 – Present (Broker)
- Phi Delta Phi, 2005 – Present (Legal Honor Fraternity)