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Sarah MacLeod counsels individuals and high net worth families on estate and gift planning, estate and trust administration, and business succession issues.

Her clients include owners of privately-held businesses, beneficiaries of long-term trusts, fiduciaries and entrepreneurs. Sarah counsels clients on philanthropic matters, including advising tax-exempt organizations on governance and tax-related issues, and individuals and families with respect to their charitable giving.

*Chambers High Net Worth* has recognized Sarah's private wealth law practice, where she's described as "a leader in the field" with "the perfect combination of technical expertise and relationship-building skills." One source enthuses: "She has a very clear and comforting way of communicating with families. She is very proactive and always identifies the key issues for clients before they arise and ensures such issues are dealt with within the broader estate plan."

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## Practices & Industries

Private Client Services

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## Education

University of Washington School of Law,  
J.D., 2005

- *Washington Law Review*

University of Notre Dame, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1999

- Phi Beta Kappa
  - Fulbright Grant, Austria (1999-2000)
  - Peter Yarrow Award, "Outstanding Commitment to Public Service" (1998)
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## Admissions

Washington  
U.S. District Court, Eastern and Western  
Districts of Washington

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## Languages

German

## Professional Experience

Miller Nash LLP

- Associate Attorney (2006-2012)
- Summer Clerk (2005)

Velikanje, Moore & Shore, P.S., Summer Clerk (2004)

Washington State House of Representatives, Office of Program Research,  
Legal Intern (2003-2004)

Jasculca/Terman and Associates, Office of Public Affairs (2000-2002)

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## Honors

*Chambers High Net Worth, Private Wealth Law* (2016-2020)

*The Best Lawyers in America*®, Trusts and Estates (2018-2020)

“Washington Super Lawyer,” Thomson Reuters, Estate Planning and Probate (2018-2020)

“Washington Rising Star,” Thomson Reuters, Estate Planning and Probate (2013-2016)

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## LinkedIn

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/sarah-macleod-66bb124/>

## Community Involvement

Washington State Bar Association

- Member, Real Property, Probate and Trust Executive Committee (2015-2017)
- Editor, Real Property, Probate and Trust Newsletter (2014-2015)
- Member, Gift and Estate Tax Committee
- Member, Real Property, Probate and Trust Section

American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, Fellow

University of Washington Estate and Gift Planning Council, Member

Washington Women in Tax, Member

King County Bar Association

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## Thought Leadership

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**July 16, 2020** | News

Thirty-Two Lane Powell Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* in Washington for 2020

Awards & Honors

**July 9, 2020** | News

Lane Powell Again Receives Top Rankings in *Chambers High Net Worth 2020*

Awards & Honors

**June 17, 2020** | Publication

Estate Planning, Probate, and Trust Administration in Washington  
Washington State Bar Association Deskbook

**March 12, 2020** | Publication

Estate Planning for Retirement Assets After Congress slays the ‘Stretch IRA’  
*Puget Sound Business Journal*

**August 15, 2019** | News

*The Best Lawyers in America*® 2020 Recognizes 63 Lane Powell Attorneys  
Awards & Honors

**July 12, 2019** | News

Fiduciary Litigation and Trusts & Estates Teams Receive Top Rankings in *Chambers High Net Worth 2019*  
Awards & Honors

**June 10, 2019** | News

Thirty-one Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Washington Super Lawyers' and Nine Named 'Washington Rising Stars'  
Awards & Honors

**June 4, 2019** | News

Lane Powell Announces New Leaders, Reinforcing Focus on Innovation & Talent  
Firm Announcement

**February 7, 2019** | Event / CLE

Succession Planning for the Family Farm  
Estate Planning Council of North Central Washington Meeting | Wenatchee, Washington

**October 18, 2018** | News

Fiduciary Litigation and Trusts & Estates Teams Receive High Rankings in *Chambers High Net Worth 2018*  
Awards & Honors

**September 25, 2018** | Event / CLE

*From Taxes to Taxidermy: A Taxonomy of Topics for High Net Worth Clients*  
Lane Powell Trusts & 'Tinis Seminar | Seattle

**August 15, 2018** | News

*The Best Lawyers in America*© 2019 Recognizes 62 Lane Powell Attorneys  
Awards & Honors

**June 18, 2018** | News

Thirty-two Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Washington Super Lawyers' and 14 Named 'Washington Rising Stars'  
Awards & Honors

**March 8-9, 2018** | Event / CLE

Recent Changes in Estate Planning  
Washington State Bar Association | Seattle

**February 8-9 2018** | Event / CLE

Practical & Inspired Planned Giving Seminar  
Lane Powell and del Prado Philanthropy | Seattle

**November 27, 2017** | News

MacLeod Elected Fellow of The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel  
Awards & Honors

**September 28, 2017** | Event / CLE

You Decant Take It With You... But We Have a Few Ideas to Share  
Lane Powell Trusts & 'Tinis Seminar | Seattle

**August 15, 2017** | News

Fifty-nine Lane Powell Attorneys Named in *The Best Lawyers® in America* 2018  
Awards & Honors

**June 11, 2017** | Event / CLE

Practice Drafting Tips: How to Update Our Forms to Incorporate the New DPOA Act and Directed Trust Act  
Washington State Bar Association | Walla Walla, Washington

**May 30, 2017** | News

Trusts & Estates Team Receives High Rankings in *Chambers® High Net Worth* 2017  
Awards & Honors

**July 1, 2016** | News

Lane Powell's Trust and Estates Practice Group Received High Rankings in *Chambers® High Net Worth* for 2016  
Awards & Honors

**May 27, 2016** | News

*Chambers® USA* Recommends Lane Powell in Multiple Categories for 2016  
Awards & Honors

**May 6, 2016** | Event / CLE

The Nuts and Bolts of Planned Giving — Part II: Complex Gifting Methods  
Seattle Children's Continuing Education Conference on Philanthropic and

Legacy Planning for Advisors | Seattle

**April 26, 2016** | Event / CLE

Everything You Never Wanted the Public to Know About Your Estate  
Planning Clients

East King County Estate Planning Council | Bellevue, Washington

**February 26, 2016** | Event / CLE

The Financial Planner's Role in Estate Planning

Financial Planning Association of Puget Sound | Seattle

**October 6, 2015** | Publication

Lane Powell Featured in *Puget Sound Business Journal* Special Insert on  
Startups and Emerging Companies Seminar

*Puget Sound Business Journal*

**July 29, 2015** | News

MacLeod Appointed to University of Washington's Estate and Gift Planning  
Council

**June 13, 2015** | Event / CLE

Everything You Never Wanted the Public to Know About Your Estate  
Planning Clients: Privacy Issues in Probate and Trust Proceedings

Washington State Bar Association | Spokane, Washington

**June 12, 2015** | News

Thirty-two Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Washington Super Lawyers' and  
11 Named as 'Washington Rising Stars'

Awards & Honors

**June 8, 2015** | Event / CLE

Grantor's Remorse: Unwinding Past Planning

Children's Hospital | Seattle

**December 30, 2014** | News

Lane Powell Announces New Shareholder MacLeod

**June 13, 2014** | News

Thirty-five Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Washington Super Lawyers' and  
Fifteen Named as 'Washington Rising Stars'

Awards & Honors

**June 14, 2013** | News

Thirty-Six Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Washington Super Lawyers' and Sixteen Named as 'Washington Rising Stars'  
Awards & Honors