



## GRAHAM S. LEONARD

Partner

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Graham concentrates his practice on all aspects of trusts and estates law. On the planning side, he creates comprehensive yet practical estate plans for his clients. He has experience working with a range of clients from high net worth individuals and closely held business owners to young families making their first estate plans. He also has experience creating estate plans for clients with connections to multiple places. Because things change, he also helps clients explore ways to breathe new life into outdated plans using new techniques to adapt stale plans to changed circumstances.

On the administration side, Graham advises individuals, institutions, and family offices on all aspects of trust and estate administration. He has significant experience advising on multi-jurisdictional and cross-border trust and estate administration. He enjoys working collaboratively with advisors from other jurisdictions and disciplines to help clients successfully navigate the complexity that arises in these situations.

Graham also represents fiduciaries, beneficiaries, charities, and creditors in Surrogate's Court. He has experience representing clients in various Surrogate's Court proceedings, including those for accounting, construction, and *cy pres*. When issues cannot be resolved amicably, he also has experience representing clients in contested matters.

### Honors

- Listed, *Best Lawyers in America* Ones to Watch (Trusts and Estates) 2024
- Listed, *Upstate New York Super Lawyers* Rising Stars (Estate and Probate) 2018 - 2022
- Order of the Coif
- Birzon Prize in Clinical Legal Studies

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### Practices & Industries

Trusts & Estates

### Admissions

New York

### Education

University at Albany, B.A.

University at Buffalo School of Law,  
J.D., magna cum laude

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## **In the News**

Federal estate tax law changes are possible in Biden administration  
*Rochester Business Journal*, December 18, 2020

## **Press Releases**

Hodgson Russ LLP Announces New Partners  
January 3, 2024

55 Hodgson Russ LLP Attorneys Named to 2023 *Upstate New York Super Lawyers* List  
August 23, 2023

83 Hodgson Russ LLP Attorneys Ranked in 2024 Edition of *Best Lawyers in America*  
August 17, 2023

Hodgson Russ LLP Relocates to New Facility in Rochester  
November 2, 2022

Fifty-Nine Hodgson Russ Attorneys Ranked in 2022 Edition of *Upstate New York Super Lawyers*  
*Hodgson Russ Press Release*, August 23, 2022

Fifty-Four Hodgson Russ Attorneys Ranked in 2021 Edition of *Upstate New York Super Lawyers*  
*Hodgson Russ Press Release*, August 20, 2021

New Attorneys Join Hodgson Russ  
*Hodgson Russ Press Release*, December 15, 2020

## **Publications**

U.S. Election Update: Are Changes to the Estate and Gift Tax Coming?  
*Hodgson Russ Trusts & Estates Alert*, November 11, 2020