

## Melissa Miele Bracuti



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### Curriculum Vitae

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**MELISSA MIELE BRACUTI** focuses her practice on traditional areas of personal estate planning and estate and trust administration, probate and trust law, and estate and fiduciary litigation. Ms. Bracuti has significant experience in Probate Court proceedings and fiduciary litigation matters. Additionally, she is experienced in handling various matters for institutional clients as well as for individuals and families. Ms. Bracuti's experience also includes guardianship proceedings and administration, special needs trusts, family business succession planning, charitable planning, name change proceedings, and premarital agreements. Ms. Bracuti's clients include high-net-worth individuals, individual and corporate trustees and executors, and estate and trust beneficiaries.

Ms. Bracuti is a former Law Clerk to the late Honorable Peter B. Cooper, J.S.C., Superior Court of New Jersey, Essex County, Chancery Division, Probate Part. She currently serves as the Co-CFO on the Executive Board of the New Jersey Women Lawyers Association.

### Awards

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- Listed in Super Lawyers® Rising Stars (2009-2010), a Thomson Reuters business, in the areas of Estate & Trust Litigation, and Estate Planning & Probate. A description of the standard or methodology on which the accolade is based can be found [HERE](#) (No aspect of the advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court).

### Practices

Litigation

Private Client Services / Trusts and Estates

Tax

## **Education**

New England School of Law (J.D. 1999)

Montclair State University (B.A. 1996)

## **Admissions**

State of New Jersey

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

State of New York

## **Memberships**

New Jersey Women Lawyers Association

American Bar Association

New Jersey State Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

Morris County Bar Association

National Association of Women Lawyers

The Estate Planning Council of Northern New Jersey

Fellow, American Bar Foundation