



Valerie Vignaux, Associate

"In addition to practicing law, my professional life has included work for non-profits such as the International Institute of Boston and the Boston Symphony Orchestra. As an attorney, my focus is on a different type of service - estate planning and elder law - which allows me to serve my community here in Western Massachusetts. I sympathize deeply with my clients, many of whom may be in the midst of family crises, and I feel fortunate that I can use my professional knowledge to help them make informed choices to protect themselves and their loved ones."

Areas of Practice:

Estate Planning & Elder Law

Valerie is an associate attorney and a member of the firm's estate planning & elder law team. She assists clients with all manner of estate planning and provides representation for guardianship and conservatorship matters. Valerie also spent a year serving as Superior Court Clerk to the justices of the Massachusetts Trial Court.

Education:

Boston College Law School, J.D., 2003
Hamilton College, B.A., magna cum laude, 1996

Bar & Court Admission:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Professional & Community Activities Include:

Member: Hampden County Bar Association
Member: Hampshire County Bar Association
Member: Northampton Conservation Commission, 2009-2011

Publications & Lectures Include:

- HealthCare Law—Marijuana Use in Elder Facilities—Individuals are Caught Between a State and a Federal Place, *Healthcare News*, June 2015
- Progress Comes Marginally—Paternity Leave Becomes Law in Bay State; Hold the Applause, *Healthcare News*, May 2015



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