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Ms. Nakamura concentrates in estate planning, trust and estate administration, litigation, business succession planning, charitable planning, employee benefits and ERISA, including ERISA litigation.

Ms. Nakamura's estate planning and trust and estate administration practice includes income and estate tax planning; succession planning for the closely-held business owner; charitable planning; drafting of wills, trusts, and powers of attorney; administration of estates for decedents, minors, and protected persons; and the representation of clients in estate and trust litigation.

She works extensively with clients in the selection and implementation of welfare benefit plans and pension benefit plans. Ms. Nakamura works with clients in the area of compensation planning including the design and implementation of qualified and non-qualified retirement plans, deferred compensation arrangements, qualified and non-qualified stock options, and employee stock ownership plans. Additionally she assists clients in the claims review process and represents numerous clients in their capacity as trustees and plan administrators of ERISA plans.

Education

LLM: University of Denver Graduate Tax Program, 1983

JD: Hastings College of the Law, University of California, 1982

BA: University of Hawaii, 1978

Bar Admissions

Colorado, 1984

Hawaii, *inactive*

Career Distinctions & Honors

The Denver Foundation Philanthropic Leadership Award, 2016
Denver Five Star Financial Services Professional, 2015-2021

Professional Associations

American Bar Association
Real Property, Probate, and Trust Law Section
Colorado Bar Association
Trust and Estate Section
Elder Law Section
Denver Bar Association
Colorado Planned Giving Roundtable
Strategic Connection of Colorado by Thought Leaders Forum, Denver Chapter
The Denver Foundation: Board of Trustees
Dumb Friends League, Volunteer
Rocky Mountain Estate Planning Council
Rose Community Foundation – Volunteer, Professional Advisor Council
CAN DO Multiple Sclerosis Board Member
Graduate of the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry, "50 For Colorado" Program