



# SUSAN L. FRIEDMAN

## Partner

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As an attorney in KJK's Estate, Wealth & Succession Planning group, Susan Friedman is experienced in all aspects of estate planning, probate, trust and estate administration, special needs planning, charitable planning and guardianships. She is valued by clients for her calm demeanor and ability to actively listen to address clients' specific needs and develop individualized strategies.

Susie holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Washington University in St. Louis and earned her Juris Doctorate from Case Western Reserve University School of Law. In addition to her law degree, Susie holds a Master's degree in social work, which further helps her to address and resolve various issues her clients face.

Susie is involved with Jewish Federation of Cleveland and has served on the Donor Advised Fund Committee since 2016. Additionally, she participates in the Professional Advisors Council with Jewish Federation. Susie also sits on the Board for the Cleveland Hillel Foundation and is a member of the University Hospitals of Cleveland Diamond Advisor Group.

In her free time, Susie enjoys walking in the Metroparks near her home in Solon, spending time with her two daughters and her six-pound Yorkie, Louie, playing tennis, skiing and reading fiction.

### PRACTICE GROUPS

- Estate, Wealth & Succession Planning

### EDUCATION

- Case Western Reserve University School of Law, J.D., 1996
- Case Western Reserve University Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, MSSA, 1996
- Washington University in St. Louis, B.A., Political Science, 1991

### BAR/COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio

## AWARDS

- JD Supra Readers' Choice Awards, Top Author, Wealth Management, 2023
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## CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- American Heart Association
  - Advisor Network, Member
- American Cancer Society
  - National Professional Advisor Network, Member
- Cleveland Museum of Art
  - Gift Planning Network, Member
  - Gift Planning Advisory Committee, Member
- Cleveland Hillel Foundation, 2018 – Present
  - Board of Directors
  - Estate Planning Council of Cleveland
  - Membership Committee
- Jewish Federation of Cleveland
  - Donor Advised Fund Committee
  - JFC Advisors
  - Professional Advisor Council
  - Steering Committee
- University Hospitals of Cleveland
  - Diamond Advisory Group
- National Professional Advisor Network for the American Cancer Society
- Shaker Figure Skating Club, 2014 – 2016
  - Trustee

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
  - Cleveland Estate Planning Council
  - Membership Committee of the Estate Planning Council of Cleveland
  - Ohio Bar Association
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## MEDIA MENTIONS

- Many facets to estate planning process, Cleveland Jewish News, Mar. 17, 2023
  - Susan Friedman / Kohrman, Jackson & Krantz, Cleveland Jewish News, Jan. 27, 2023
  - Use attorney when considering multi-state estate plan, Cleveland Jewish News, Mar. 21, 2022
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## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- "Estate Planning Essentials for Individuals and Families," MAI Capital Management LLC, August 17, 2023
- "Estate Planning and Probate Essentials," T-Squared Honors Academy High School, August 16, 2023
- "Trusts in Ohio from A to Z," National Business Institute, August 14, 2023
- "Chasing the Sunset of the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017," 50th Charitable Tax Seminar, June 1, 2023
- "Aging with a Plan: How a Little Thought Today Can Vastly Improve your Tomorrow," Cleveland Jewish Book Festival, April 30, 2023
- "Estate Planning Basics," Baldwin Wallace Institute for Learning in Retirement; Cuyahoga County Community College Adult Education, 2019 – Present (quarterly presentations)
- "Online Accounts and Cryptocurrency: Estate Planning, Gifting, and Charitable Giving Considerations," Lake County Bar Association presented April 27, 2022