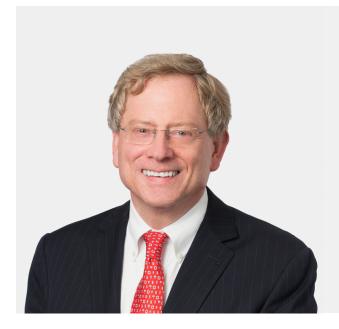
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With over three decades of experience in the practice of trusts and estates law, Paul Collins helps individuals and families preserve their assets and plan for the future. His work includes trust and estate planning and administration, both in the United States and internationally. His particular strength is fiduciary litigation, such as contested probate and accounting matters, guardianships, disputes over inherited property, and the construction of wills and trusts. Clients value Paul's ability to resolve family disputes in an efficient manner. He represents clients in the Surrogate's Courts and other courts in New York, as well as Connecticut courts, and uses mediation or arbitration where appropriate.

Paul's practice extends to asset protection, pre- and post-nuptial agreements, and charitable planning, including the organization and operation of charitable foundations.

Published Work and Lectures

- Lighthouse, Speaker, "Charitable Giving Strategies," May 2012
- Lazard, Speaker, "Asset Protection," October 2011
- Christie's NYC, Speaker, "Estate Planning Aspects of Investments in Fine Art," May 2005

Affiliations

- · New York State Bar Association, Member
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Honors and Distinctions

• Best Lawyers, 2022-2025, Listed in New York for Trust and Estates

Areas of Experience

Trusts and Estates

Education

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1984 B.A., Dartmouth College, 1979, cum laude

Admissions

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New York Connecticut

Courts

U.S. Tax Court

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