



Caryn B. Keppler

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Caryn Keppler is a principal in Offit Kurman's Estates and Trusts Practice Group. Caryn considers herself a "primary care provider," whose role is to recognize and solve a client's multiple legal issues and, if necessary, direct them to other specialists as needed. She has extensive experience in all aspects of estate, gift, and charitable planning for foreign and domestic individuals, artists and collectors, conventional and alternative families, as well as business and continuity planning. Caryn's areas of focus extend to representing individuals regarding prenuptial, post-nuptial, and domestic partnership agreements and assisting families in planning for their disabled children.

Caryn has extensive experience representing artists' foundations, acting on behalf of both fiduciaries and beneficiaries, in the administration of domestic estates and trusts, as well as estates and trusts with contacts to international jurisdictions and litigation in the Surrogate's Courts. Prior to entering private practice, she served as an attorney with the Internal Revenue Service. Caryn is a frequent speaker and has written extensively on the special planning needs of artists and other creative individuals.

Education

- Brooklyn Law School (J.D.)
- Binghamton University, State University of New York (B.A.)

State Bar Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey
- Florida

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida

Services

- Estates and Trusts
- Art Law
- Nonprofit
- LGBTQIA+
- Alternative Dispute Resolution

Professional Affiliations

- Member of the Advisory Board of the Center for Art Law
- New York State Bar Association, Trusts & Estates Section
- New York State Bar Association, Elder Law Section
- New York State Bar Association, LGBTQ+ Section
- New York City Bar Association, Trusts & Estates Surrogates Court Committee
- New York City Bar Association, Art Law Committee
- American Bar Association, Real Property Trusts & Estates Law

Recognitions

- Mediation Panel for the Ninth Judicial Circuit: Putnam, Dutchess, Rockland, and Orange Counties Surrogates Courts
- Certified and Accredited Mediator by Phoenix Dispute Solutions (PDSL), Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) and International Mediation Institute (IMI)
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Elder Law, Litigation - Trusts and Estates, Trusts and Estates (2022-2026)
- Selected to New York Metro Super Lawyers® for Estate Planning & Probate (2023 - 2026)
- *Top Women Lawyers Trusts & Estates New York Metro Area*, 2023 and 2024
- Estate Law Specialist, an ABA accreditation sponsored by the Estate Planning Specialist Board of the National Association of Estate Planning Councils

The Legal Canvas

June 17, 2026

Preserving What Artists Leave Behind with Joy Glidden

Host Caryn Keppler, a trusts and estates attorney with Offit Kurman, welcomes Joy Glidden, founding director of the Center for the Preservation of Artist Legacies (CPAL), for a wide-ranging conversation on what it truly means to preserve an artist's...

May 12, 2026

Art, Auctions, and Advocacy: A Conversation with Bonnie Brennan

Host Caryn Keppler, a trust and estates attorney with Offit Kurman, welcomes Bonnie Brennan, Chief Executive Officer of Christie's, for an in-depth conversation exploring the intersection of art, law, collecting, and legacy. As only the second woman...

April 17, 2026

Introducing The Legal Canvas: Estate Law for Creative Minds

Welcome to The Legal Canvas, the podcast where law and creativity intersect. Hosted by Caryn Keppler, an estates and trusts attorney with extensive experience working with artists, collectors, and foundations, The Legal Canvas explores the legal frameworks...