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Melanie Cuddyre is an Associate with Leech Tishman and a member of the Estates & Trusts Practice Group, as well as the Nonprofits & Tax-Exempt Organizations and Tax Groups. Melanie is based in the Pittsburgh office.

Melanie assists clients in the preparation of simple and complex wills, healthcare durable powers of attorney/ living wills and durable powers of attorney, trust planning, and charitable gift planning. She advises a variety of clients ranging from young parents who need a basic estate plan to high net worth individuals and families regarding intergenerational wealth transfers and asset protection. Melanie regularly counsels clients in planning for individuals with special needs and guardianship proceedings. She also represents executors/ trustees and beneficiaries in estate and trust administration, as well as estate and fiduciary litigation matters.

In addition, Melanie assists clients in business succession planning, preparation of pre-marital agreements, and tax planning.

### Academics

J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law  
B.S. in Early Childhood Education, *magna cum laude*, Duquesne University

### Admissions

Pennsylvania  
Florida

### Experience

Goehring, Rutter & Boehm

### Professional Memberships

Pennsylvania Bar Association  
The Florida Bar  
Allegheny County Bar Association Probate and Trust Law Section (Board Member)  
Allegheny County Bar Association  
Estate Planning Council of Pittsburgh

### Publications

"The Modern Cleaver Family: Estate Planning for the Untraditional Family," *The Legal Intelligencer* (2022)  
"Estate Planning Considerations for Women After an Unprecedented Year," *The Legal Intelligencer* (2021)

### Speeches & Presentations

"General Estate Planning Update," Financial Planning Association of Pittsburgh, 14th Annual Financial Planning Four'um, Co-presenter, 2022  
"Trusts from A to Z - Special Needs Trusts (SNTs) and Generation Skipping/Dynasty Trusts," National Business Institute, 2021  
"The Impact of the Federal Election on Existing Estate Plans," Thomson Reuters, Celesq AttorneysEd Center, 2021  
"Trusts 101 - Trusts Used for Tax Reduction," National Business Institute, 2020

### Community Involvement

The Pittsburgh Foundation (Young Professional Advisors Committee)  
Best Buddies  
Pittsburgh Young Professionals (Member)