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Education

- Chicago Kent College of Law (J.D. with Honors, Law Review Notes and Comments Editor)
- Cornell University, College of Arts & Sciences (B.A. in Anthropology, *cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

- New York
- Illinois

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- United States Supreme Court

Hillary is a seasoned attorney who concentrates her practice on trusts and estate litigation. She represents fiduciaries and non-fiduciaries in all matters before the New York Surrogate’s Court, with an emphasis on contested probate, accounting, discovery, and fiduciary removal proceedings. She has also successfully litigated her clients’ interests in the Federal District Courts and New York State Supreme Court. As an acknowledgment of her experience, Hillary is certified to serve on the New York State Court Part 36 Fiduciary list, and has been appointed by the New York Surrogate’s Courts to serve as a court-appointed *Guardian ad Litem* to represent individuals who are unable to appear in court to protect their own rights. Additionally, Hillary has practiced in the areas of commercial litigation, and complex business and partnership disputes. She has conducted numerous continuing legal education courses for bar associations and is a faculty member of Lawline.com. Hillary is a frequent contributor to local bar association publications and has written on strategies for selecting and using expert witnesses. Elected as a Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation, Hillary has been recognized by members of the bench and bar for her outstanding professional achievement and dedication to the legal profession.

Prior to joining Elman Freiberg PLLC, Hillary was counsel at Farrell Fritz, P.C., where she was responsible for all aspects of litigation and negotiated settlements. For the past decade, Hillary has served as a member of the board of directors of ParentChild+, an international nonprofit organization dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty for low-income families.

Selected Experience

- Represented the interests of 19 family members in the multi-million dollar contested probate proceeding of heiress Huguette Clark, one of the largest monetary trusts and estate cases brought in New York.

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Selected Experience continued

- Successfully represented the interests of the heirs of Robert Cohen, founder of Hudson News, in an appeal that prevented the Executor of the Estate of Claudia Cohen from accessing the books and records of the private multi-million dollar company.
- Successfully represented a minority shareholder in proceedings to recover corporate assets misappropriated by a majority shareholder and to dissolve the corporation.
- Represented a major museum in an estate litigation brought to reclaim certain works of art allegedly stolen during World War II.
- Negotiated a complex settlement on behalf of an executor to resolve multiple long-standing and highly- publicized actions in the New York Surrogate's and Supreme Courts.

Speaking Engagements & Presentations

- Author | *The Probate Exception - We're Not Just in State Court Anymore* | *Trusts & Estates Magazine* (May 2022)