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Overview

Chelsea Hesla assists clients and companies through all aspects of trust and probate litigation, estate administration, elder law, and real estate, employing an empathetic yet assertive approach to problem-solving as she navigates complex and emotionally charged matters.

Having tried a variety of cases to favorable verdicts, Chelsea has cultivated a strong foundation of advocacy in the courtroom as she confidently embraces each client's unique challenges. Using a comprehensive, solution-oriented approach to casework, she also crafts practical solutions using alternative dispute resolution methods.

Boasting over 10 years of residential and commercial real estate experience, Chelsea has an established reputation managing trust and estate matters involving a real estate component. Further, as a former prosecutor, Chelsea's clients value her assertive advocacy in matters involving financial exploitation, undue influence, and contested wills and trusts as well as guardianships and conservatorships.

Education

- Arizona State University – Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, 2014 (J.D.)
- Arizona State University, 2011 (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona

Community Involvement

- Phoenix Theatre, Board of Directors, 2022-present

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Ones to Watch, Real Estate Law, 2021–2026; Commercial Litigation, 2026
- *Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2022–2025
- *PHOENIX Magazine*, Top Lawyer, 2022–2024
 - Elder Law
 - Wills, Trusts, & Estates
- AVVO, Client’s Choice Award
- American Board of Trial Advocates Award
- Paul W. Holloway Trial Advocacy Award
- ABA Representation in Mediation Moot Court, National Champion

Presentations and Publications

- “Arizona Probate Process from Start to Finish,” National Business Institute Webinar, December 2024
- “Virtual Courtroom Ethics & Decorum,” Arizona Women Lawyers Association CLE, November 2024