



## Richard I. Miller

Partner

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### Overview

**Richard Miller is designated as a “Certified Elder Law Attorney” by the National Elder Law Foundation, an organization accredited by the American Bar Association. Richard concentrates his practice in Elder Law, Guardianships, Planning for Individuals with Special Needs, Estate Planning, Asset Protection, Estate Administration and Probate Litigation.** Richard provides fiduciary services and serves as Executor and Administrator in complex estate matters. Richard serves as guardian for disabled individuals, Trustee for Supplemental Needs Trusts, and as a Mediator for probate litigation matters.

Richard was the recipient of the New Jersey Judiciary’s 2020 Pro Bono Attorney Recognition Event which recognizes outstanding members of the New Jersey Bar who provide pro bono services which improve the lives of state residents and support the administration on Justice.

Richard is Past-President and a Trustee of the Passaic County Bar Association, and a Court-Approved Mediator. Richard is a frequent lecturer on elder law, government benefit planning and guardianships before professional, community and financial groups.

He has been selected to the New Jersey Super Lawyer list from 2010-2023.\* Richard was also the recipient of the 2011 Professional Lawyer of the Year by the Passaic County Bar Association and the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law, and the 2015 Distinguished practitioner of the Year for Chancery/Probate by the Passaic County Bar Association.

*\*No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey or the American Bar Association. A description of the standard or methodology used by Super Lawyers can be found [here](#).*

### Professional Affiliations

- Passaic County Bar Association, Chair, Elder Law Section
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Member, Elder Law Section, Real Property, Probate and Trust Section
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
- Academy of Special Needs Planners
- Colorado State Bar Association, Member, Elder Law Section and Trusts and Estates Section

### Awards

New Jersey Super Lawyer list, 2010-2023.\*

Professional Lawyer of the Year, 2011

Distinguished practitioner of the Year for Chancery/Probate, 2015

## Publications

["Selection Process"](#) Super Lawyers, 2024

["Peer Reviewed. Through and Through"](#) *Best Lawyers*, 2024

["4 Things Advisors Must Know About Beneficiary Designations"](#) *Think Advisors*, March 13, 2024

["Reality Check: New Jersey Attorney Found His Fascination in Elder Law"](#) *Primerus*, January 9, 2024

["How Insurers Can Mitigate Their Exposure When It Comes to Beneficiary Designations"](#) *Life Insurance News*, December 19, 2023

["Guardians Ad Litem- How They Work & How to Get Appointed"](#) *NJICLE*, September 20, 2023

["No small matter: Business owners can face unique planning challenges, elder law expert says."](#) *ROI-NJ*, January 11, 2023.

["Complicated situations: Elder law attorney says COVID is compounding rise in blended families to spur litigation over estates."](#) *ROI-NJ*, January 26, 2022.

["Can I avoid the inheritance tax for nieces and nephews?"](#) *NJ.com*, December 20, 2019

["Aging generation is first to face widespread divorce, remarriage...and may not realize financial consequences"](#) *ROI-NJ*, February 1, 2019

["Decision Alert: Arla Cahill & Richard Miller, Esqs."](#) *NJ Courts*, December 11, 2018

["Lowering an estate's value before death | Biz Brain"](#) *NJ.com*, June 23, 2017

["Richard I. Miller Authored Article for CPNJ Winter 2017 Newsletter"](#) Winter 2017

## Areas of Practice

- [Special Needs \(Co-Chair\)](#)
- [Elder Law \(Chair\)](#)
- [Healthcare](#)
- [Trusts and Estates](#)

## Admission

- State of New Jersey, 1992

- State of New York, 1993
- State of Colorado, 2017

## Education

- Rutgers Law School, J.D., 1992
- Rutgers College, B.A., 1989

## Speaking Engagements

Passaic County Bar Association: “*Leaving Legacies Instead of Litigation: Tips to Stay Out of Court for the Aging Population*,” February 23, 2022.

NJICLE: “*Guardians Ad Litem – How They Work and How to Get Appointed*,” September 29, 2022.

NJSBA Fall Conference: “*In re Britney Spears: Guardianship Lessons from this Famous Case*,” November 21, 2022.

Proviser’s “*Financial Planning for Families with Special Needs*” live webinar: February 23, 2023.

Hot Topics in Elder Law Speaker Series: “*Myths and Misconceptions in Estate and Medicaid Planning*,” March 8, 2023.

Hot Topics in Elder Law Speaker Series: “*Legacies Instead of Litigation – Tips to Stay Out of Court for the Aging Population*,” April 18, 2023.