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Profile

Susan Rothwell is a shareholder in Anderson Kill's New York office and a member of the Wills, Trusts and Estates practice group.

Susan advises clients on estate and tax planning for wealth preservation and prepares wills, trusts and other vehicles to achieve client goals. Susan also works with clients on strategies to protect assets, minimize taxes and transfer wealth to future generations. For clients who wish to make charitable donations, she suggests strategies that benefit the charity while maximizing tax benefits to the donor. To avoid the expense and emotional trauma of litigation, she works with clients to avoid and manage conflict among family members. Susan also counsels Trustees and Executors on tax, fiduciary and estate administration matters and assists small business owners with estate and succession planning.

Susan advises foreign nationals owning property in New York as well as New York residents owning property in other countries. She assists in planning to minimize transfer taxes and ensures that property will be transferred to beneficiaries with a minimum of cost and delay.

Susan is a frequent lecturer and writer on estate planning topics. She is also a member of STEP, an international organization of estate and financial planners.

Memberships

New York City Bar Association: Trusts, Estates & Surrogate's Court Committee
Society of Trusts and Estates Planners (STEP)
New York State Bar Association: Fellow
The New York Bar Foundation

Awards & Honors

- Best Lawyers: Since 2025

Education

- New York University School of Law, LL.M.
- Columbia Law School, J.D.
- Columbia University, B.A./M.B.A.

Bar Admissions

- New York

Practice Areas

- Wills, Trusts and Estates

Speaking Engagements

Creating an Estate Plan that Will Protect Your Loved Ones – Don't Leave it Uncertain
Anderson Kill / May 21, 2026

"Avoiding Probate Traps: Revocable Trusts, Designated Beneficiaries and Other Fixes" – Anderson Kill's 2023 Fall Webinar Seminar Series
Anderson Kill / October 26, 2023

Estate and Charitable Planning
January 7, 2020

Estate and Charitable Planning Under the New Tax Law
January 28, 2019

Succession Planning for Tangibles
November 7, 2018

WHY YOU NEED A WILL: NOT JUST FOR THE RICH AND FAMOUS
Savvy Ladies YouTube Video / May 16, 2016

Estate Planning Primer for Commerical Property Owners
RSA Mortgage Brokerage / February 3, 2016

Publications



Unpleasant Surprises When a Foreign National Dies Owning Property in New York
New York Law Journal / January 26, 2024

Demand Grows for Revocable Living Trusts
/ September 11, 2023

A United Approach To Estate Planning: Benefits And Dangers Of Lifetime Revocable Trusts For Nationals And Internationals In The Uk
American in Britain / October 1, 2017

When A Foreign National Dies With Assets In New York: What Wealth Advisors, Legal Advisors And Globetrotters Need To Know
New York State Bar Association / September 1, 2017

“Catch Me If You Can”: Improper Denial Of Securities Claims By D&O Insurance Companies
riskVue / October 3, 2007

News

Thirteen Anderson Kill Attorneys Honored in The Best Lawyers in America 2025
August 15, 2024 /

Susan Rothwell Joins Anderson Kill's Wills, Trusts and Estates Group as a Shareholder in New York
June 5, 2023 /
