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Judith is a Director and the Co-Vice Chair of the Trusts and Estates Practice group at Fennemore. She has over 29 years' experience and breadth of knowledge providing comprehensive personalized estate planning and trust and estate administration services. She is one of very few Certified Specialists in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate law by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization who speaks fluent Cantonese. She also speaks conversational Mandarin.

Judith counsels and assists clients in estate planning matters to protect loved ones and minimize tax consequences. She prepares wills, trusts, life insurance trusts, durable powers of attorney, Advance Health Care Directives, and related documents. She also represents trustees, executors, administrators, and beneficiaries in estate and trust administration. She is experienced in implementing estate plans, resolving creditor and tax issues, and administering the estate in accordance with the decedent's wishes.

Judith was appointed to the Executive Committee of the California Lawyers Association's Trusts and Estates section. She is an author and speaks on estate planning topics for the State Bar of California and the Continuing Education of the Bar. Judith is active in the Bay Area Chinese community and has been featured on Chinese radio and on TVB's "Financial Magazine" television program. She was a board member of the Oakland Chinatown Chamber of Commerce for nine years.

EDUCATION

J.D., University of California College of the Law, San Francisco (formerly known as Hastings College of the Law)

B.S., University of California, Berkeley, *high honors*

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Trusts & Estates

Estate Planning

Tax Law

AWARDS AND HONORS

Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization, 2005-present

Northern California Super Lawyers®, 2010-2026

Northern California Super Lawyers®, Top Women Attorneys, 2010-2024

American Jurisprudence Award

Judicial Extern to Judge Saundra Brown Armstrong, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

Presenter, "AB 2016 – Non Probate Transfer of Decedent's Principal Residence"

- California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform (CANHR), April 29, 2026
- Ventura County Bar Association, March 26, 2026
- California Lawyers Association, "Trust Me" podcast, Season 6, February 2026
- Alameda County Bar Association, January 22, 2026
- Professional Fiduciary Association of California, August 14, 2025
- Berkeley Albany Bar Association, May 20, 2025
- Continuing Education of the Bar, May 14, 2025
- East Bay Trusts and Estates Lawyers, April 9, 2025

Author, "California Proposition 19's Impact on Estate Planning and Gifting of Real Property," Fennemore Blog, February 17, 2025

Presenter, "Trusts and Estates Career Panel and Lunch at UC Law San Francisco," California Lawyers Association, Trusts and Estates Executive Committee, February 25, 2025 and March 27, 2024

Presenter, "Trusts and Estates Career Panel and Lunch at Berkeley Law," California Lawyers Association, Trusts and Estates Executive Committee, March 22, 2023

Update Author, "Drafting California Revocable Trusts, Chapter 21 – Funding the Trust," Continuing Education of the Bar, 2020-2025

Contributing Author, "California Basic Practice Handbook," Continuing Education of the Bar, 2012-2025

Presenter, "Transferring Real Property," Continuing Education of the Bar, December 5, 2017

Presenter, "Tax Talk—Income and Estate Tax Issues Your Clients Need to Know," East Bay Trusts & Estates Lawyers, September 15, 2017

Presenter, "Real Property Essentials for Estate Planning," Continuing Education of the Bar, May 4, 2017

Presenter, "Estate Planning and Wealth Transfers," Sierra Pacific Financial Advisors, December 6, 2012

Presenter, "Real Estate Basics for Estate Planners," Continuing Education of the Bar, November 9, 2012

Presenter, "Culturally Competent Trusts and Estates Practice," State Bar's Trust and Estates Section, October 13, 2012 and September 14, 2012

Presenter, "Wealth Transfer for Real Estate Investors," Chinese-American Real Estate Association (CAREA), April 19, 2012

Presenter, "Gifting and Estate Planning Opportunities in 2012," Charles Schwab, Berkeley, January 11, 2012

Presenter, "Estate Planning for Owners of Real Estate," Red Oak Realty Client Program, November 7, 2011

Presenter, "Wills and Trusts," Community Outreach Health Fair, Asian Cultural Center, October 6, 2011

Presenter, "Estate Planning Strategies for Passing on Real Estate," Asian Real Estate Association of the East Bay, September 22, 2011

Presenter, "Opportunities in Gifting and Real Estate," Chinese American Real Estate Association, March 31, 2011

Author, "Do I Need a Will?" Chinese Translation," State Bar of California, 2003, 2010

Author, "Do I Need Estate Planning?" Chinese Translation, State Bar of California, 2003, 2011

Author, "Do I Need a Living Trust?" Chinese Translation, State Bar of California, 2003, 2011

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Member, Executive Committee, Trusts and Estates Section, California Lawyers Association, 2020-2026

- Chair, Estate Planning Committee, 2025-2026
- Vice Chair, Estate Planning Committee, 2024-2025
- Chair, Ethics Committee, 2023-2025
- Chair, Uniform Laws Committee, 2024-2025
- Vice Chair, Taxation Committee, 2023-2024

Member, East Bay Trusts and Estates Lawyers

Member, Asian American Bar Association

Member, Alameda County Bar Association

President, Arioso Homeowner's Association

Former Board of Director, Oakland Chinatown Chamber of Commerce

Volunteer Docent, Easy Bay Regional Parks District

ADMISSIONS

California

LANGUAGES

Cantonese Chinese (Fluent)