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## when?

The 48th Annual Trust and Estate Conference will take place on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel and Suites in downtown Los Angeles.

## why attend?

For 48 years, USC Gould's Trust and Estate Conference has been delivering **practical and real-life solutions** from speakers with a **proven track record** of addressing unexpected problems in estate planning, probate, and trust administration. The Conference typically attracts over 500 of your peers for **unrivaled networking** and learning opportunities from both the speakers and your professional colleagues.

## who should attend?

The Conference is specially tailored for **trust, estate planning, probate and elder law professionals** including attorneys, paralegals, trust officers, accountants, financial institution executives, private professional fiduciaries, wealth management professionals, fiduciary officers, underwriters and insurance advisors.

## what's included?

Registration includes all sessions, continental breakfast, networking breaks, luncheon presentation, continuing education credit, and print and downloadable copies of the practical Conference Syllabus, including the popular Resource Guide, a Trust and Estate Professional Directory covering Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties.

**Free WiFi will also be available for attendees at the Conference!**

## sign up now!

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Note: In-Person and Virtual registrations already include recordings of all of the sessions.

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## Program



7:00 AM

**Check-In and Continental Breakfast**

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8:10 AM – 8:15 AM

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**



**Terrence M. Franklin**

Conference Chair

Sacks, Glazier, Franklin & Lodise LLP

8:15 AM – 9:45 AM

**Annual Update:**

**Recent Developments in Probate and  
Trust and their Practical Applications**

Take advantage of the analyses of our expert panelists as they review critical recent California legislation and case law and Federal tax law. Both new and experienced practitioners will benefit from their insights on current developments in wills, trusts and estate, and gift taxation.



**Jeffrey A. Dennis-Strathmeyer**

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9:45 AM – 10:05 AM

**Networking Break**

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**10:05 AM – 11:05 AM**  
**California Proposition 19**

Proposition 19 introduced major changes to California property tax law that impact trust and estate planning throughout the state. The new law virtually eliminated certain tax benefits that have been enjoyed for decades and partly expanded the reach of others. Did you know that there are ways to reduce or eliminate the negative consequences of Proposition 19? Navigating these limitations takes proactive planning and due diligence and doing so correctly is likely to set you apart and place you and your clients at a significant advantage. Join the speakers as they unpack Proposition 19 and unveil the proactive planning techniques available to lessen its burdens.



**Gregory Broege**  
Ajalat, Polley, Ayoob, Matarese  
& Broege



**Michael P. Kelly**  
Ajalat, Polley, Ayoob, Matarese  
& Broege

**11:10 AM – 12:10 PM**  
**The SECURE Act**

This presentation examines the impact of SECURE Act and proposed regulations on estate planning for retirement plans. Coverage includes: 1) New rules for determining post-death required minimum distributions (“RMDs”) under SECURE Act and the proposed regulations; 2) Updated rules for see-through trusts and planning considerations to select the best type of see-through trust for specific client situations; 3) Specialized planning approaches for married couples, disabled and chronically ill beneficiaries, Roth IRA owners, and clients with charitable intent; and 4) What happens if the “non-participant spouse” is the first spouse to die.



**Steven E. Trytten**  
Henderson, Caverly, Pum,  
& Trytten LLP

**12:10 PM – 1:50 PM**  
**Keynote Presentation**

**Judicial Guardianship Evaluation Worksheet**

Dr. Bonnie Olsen, geropsychologist and expert in decisional capacity, will discuss the development of the Judicial Guardianship Evaluation Worksheet, a tool for probate judges to evaluate relevant factors in assessing the propriety and scope of conservatorships for older adults. Dr. Olsen and her team developed the Worksheet at the behest of the Department of Justice as part of a national effort to advance conservatorship reform. The tool prompts the Court to consider the proposed conservatees’ retained capacities, susceptibility to harm, and less restrictive alternatives to preserve elder rights through targeted remedies. We are also pleased that Judge Paul Suzuki (Retired) and Dr. Olsen will complete the 45-minute presentation discussing how the Worksheet may impact consideration of evidence in probate matters.



**Dr. Bonnie J. Olsen, Ph.D.**  
Professor of Clinical Family Medicine  
USC Keck School of Medicine



**Hon. Paul T. Suzuki (Ret.)**  
Mediator/Arbitrator/Referee  
ADR Services, Inc.

**1:50 PM – 2:50 PM**

**Form 709: Avoiding Common Reporting Errors and Other Practical Tips**

The speakers will discuss a number of estate planning transactions which are often reported incorrectly on federal gift tax returns and will explain how they should be properly reported. The speakers will use case studies and provide sample gift tax returns in their presentation to illustrate proper reporting and also offer tips for best practice in reporting different types of gifts.



**Jeffrey Geida**

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**Rochelle H. Schultz**

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**2:50 PM – 3:10 PM**

**Networking Ice Cream Break**

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**3:10 PM – 4:10 PM**

**Reformation and Modification of Irrevocable Trusts**

The panel will present a lively discussion exploring reformation and modification of irrevocable trusts under California's current statutory scheme and applicable case authority by utilizing a hypothetical family of significant wealth with its members' changes of circumstances posing various issues and challenges to the administration of an irrevocable trust.



**Jeryll S. Cohen**

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**MODERATOR**

**Geraldine A. Wyle**

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**4:15 PM – 5:15 PM**  
**Hot Topics (New Things for Seasoned Practitioners!)**

This session will focus on three hot topics.

- (1) Cryptocurrency and NFTs: Many of your clients own cryptocurrency and NFTs and this session will provide some practical tools and tips for addressing these in estate plans and post mortem administrations.
- (2) Corporate Transparency Act: Many entities formed as part of estate plans (LLCs, partnerships and other entities) will soon be required by the Corporate Transparency Act to file and update reports disclosing their beneficial ownership. This session will focus on what estate planners need to know (and do) in response.
- (3) Breslin Mediation: The California Court of Appeal's decision in *Breslin v. Breslin* provides that a party to a trust proceeding who receives notice of a court-ordered mediation may be bound by the result. This session will focus on the key takeaways and strategies for charities and other beneficiaries who wish to protect their interests even when they are not directly involved in a dispute or trust proceeding.



**Elizabeth Bawden**  
Withers Bergman LLP



**Susanna Kim**  
Withers Bergman LLP

**5:15 PM**  
**Adjournment**

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# frequently asked questions

## REGISTRATION

Your registration fee includes all sessions, continental breakfast, luncheon, networking refreshment breaks, continuing education credit, the Conference Syllabus (in print and electronic download formats), and the Conference event app. The Conference Syllabus highlights and expands upon the sessions and also includes a copy of our annual Resource Guide (a Trust and Estate Professional Directory covering Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties).

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## LOCATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS

The Trust and Estate Conference will be held at:

**The Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites**

404 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071

Information: **(213) 624-1000**

Reservations: **Rose.Loizides@WestinBonaventure.com**

A limited number of discounted sleeping rooms will be available to Conference participants at the hotel, and will be held until October 8th, 2022. Room rates are as follows: **\$189** for a traditional room, **\$219** for a deluxe room, or **\$290** for a Tower Suite. Please contact Rose Loizides at [Rose.Loizides@WestinBonaventure.com](mailto:Rose.Loizides@WestinBonaventure.com) for room reservations at the hotel.

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