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AREAS OF LAW

Estate Planning
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Special Needs Trusts/Guardianships
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EDUCATION

New York University, Executive LLM
(Currently enrolled)
Emory University School of Law (J.D. 2017)
University of Miami
(B.A. magna cum laude, 2013)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Victory Center for Autism
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Cassandra S. Nelson is a shareholder at Nelson & Nelson, P.A., a trusts and estates law firm in North Miami Beach, Florida. Cassandra specializes in estate planning, asset protection, tax law, special needs trusts, guardianships, and probate administration. She holds a B.A. from the University of Miami and a J.D. from Emory University School of Law. She is currently pursuing an Executive LLM at New York University.

Cassandra has been acknowledged as a future leader in the legal profession earning recognitions by Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch[®] in America in the practice area of Trusts and Estates (since 2022); as an “Associates to Watch” by Chambers USA High Net Worth Guide 2024 in Private Wealth Law Florida; and as a Class IV graduate of the Florida Fellows Institute of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC).

Cassandra is an active contributor to legal scholarship having co-authored numerous articles and chapters in respected publications including Trust & Estates, ActionLine (Florida Bar), and Leimberg Information Services. She co-authored Chapter 5: Homestead: Creditor Issues, Asset Protection in Florida (The Florida Bar, 7th Edition, 2022), and has been a co-contributor on several chapters published in Barry A. Nelson’s treatise, Estate Planning and Asset Protection in Florida: A Plan to Survive Unexpected Financial Threats.

Cassandra’s dedication to the legal profession is paralleled by her passion for special needs advocacy. Her personal experience as the sister of an adult brother with severe autism drives her involvement with The Victory Center for Autism and Behavioral Challenges (a not-for-profit corporation), and her commitment to helping families with children who have disabilities by providing counsel on creating special needs trusts and establishing guardianships.