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Kimberly A. Whaley is the founder and principal of the law firm, Whaley Estate Litigation. Her practice is restricted to the litigation and mediation of estate, trust and capacity proceedings. She is also a solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales (non-practising).

Kimberly was designated as a Certified Specialist in Estates and Trusts Law by the Law Society of Upper Canada in 2006. She has been peer rated and listed by The Best Lawyers in Canada in the speciality of Estates and Trusts (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012). Kimberly was chosen by Lawday Leading Lawyers as one of the top 60 leading lawyers in Canada in Estates and Trusts in the year 2009.

Kimberly is Past-Chair of the OBA Trusts & Estates Executive, and is currently a member of the CBA Elder Law Section Executive. She is a registered member of the Society of Trusts and Estates Practitioners (STEP) (worldwide) and is on the STEP (Toronto) Executive as Program Chair. Kimberly is a committee member of The Professional Advisory Group of the Baycrest Foundation. Kimberly is a member of the Estate Planning Council of Toronto and the Expert Advisory Group for the Law Commission of Ontario. Kimberly is on the Estate List Users Committee of Ontario (OSCJ at Toronto).

Kimberly co-mediates with her mediation partner, Brian Wilson at estatemediators.ca

Kimberly is a co-contributor to the yearly Canada Law Book publication "*Key Developments in Estate and Trust Law in Ontario*" (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 Editions) and authors the chapter "*Passings of Accounts, including Contested Passings*".

Kimberly authored the Canada Law Book publication "Capacity to Marry and the Estate Plan" in 2010, with co-authors: Dr. Michel Silberfeld, Heather McGee and Helena Likwornik.

Kimberly has authored the following published articles:

- Estates and Trusts Pension Journal: "*The Use of DNA in Contested Estate Matters*", E.T. & P.J. Vol. 23, 2004 No. 2
- Estates, Trusts and Pensions Journal: "*Powers of Attorney and Financial Abuse*" Vol. 27, 2008, No. 4
- Estates and Trusts Pension Journal: "*Life after Death: Modern Genetics and the Estate Claim*", Vol. 28, 2009

Kimberly was awarded the Hoffstein Book Prize Award in 2009, recognizing contributions and achievements by Members of the OBA in the area of Wills, Trusts and Estates.

Kimberly has taught at Queen's University and the University of Toronto, as well as Osgoode, and contributes to Continuing Legal Education programs for lawyers, in-house at financial institutions, hospitals and other organizations.

Kimberly is the Mom of Sammi, age 12, and runs marathons in her spare time!