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OVERVIEW

Lauren represents clients in trust, estate, and fiduciary litigation matters.

Lauren focuses her practice on trust and estate disputes, guiding clients through matters involving contested wills, questions of undue influence or incompetency, fraud allegations, and other complex estate issues and controversies. With experience representing executors, administrators, and beneficiaries, Lauren handles cases from their earliest stages all the way through trial. She gained hands-on courtroom experience early in her career, including serving as first chair in a jury trial and assisting in others.

Drawn to the fast pace and the challenge of thinking quickly in high-stakes situations, Lauren began her legal career in commercial litigation. As her practice developed, she began to take on an increasing number of fiduciary litigation cases and found that she enjoyed the people-focused nature of this work. Lauren values the opportunity to get to know clients and their families, and she finds it truly rewarding to help clients navigate difficult, stressful situations. After joining Husch Blackwell in 2025, she primarily works with high-net-worth private wealth matters, applying her litigation background to support clients facing sensitive and often emotional family and estate-related disputes.

Clients describe Lauren as approachable and relatable, qualities that serve well both in and out of the courtroom. She communicates in a way that puts clients at ease, making complex legal processes more manageable and less intimidating. Similarly, juries respond to Lauren's clear, direct arguments, and clients appreciate the comfort of knowing they can reach out with any concern. Known for her own ability to stay calm under pressure,

Industry

Financial Services & Capital Markets

Services

Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

Private Wealth

Trust, Estate, & Fiduciary Litigation

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she understands the personal stress and emotion involved in trust and estate litigation, and she works to ensure clients feel supported at every step.

Experience

- Prepared dispositive motions, conducted discovery throughout the litigation process, handled taking and defending plaintiff and defendant depositions, and argued dispositive motions.
- Represented clients in fiduciary duty litigation with regard to partnerships and LLCs.
- Represented clients in contested probate and trust litigation dealing with issues such as undue influence, duress, and fraud.
- Acted as first chair in a jury trial representing the client in a negligence action.

Recognition

- Greater Arlington Chamber of Commerce, 40 Under 40, Class of 2024

Education

- J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law
  - *magna cum laude*
  - *Estate Planning and Community Property Law Journal*, Executive Symposium Editor
- B.A., University of Texas at Austin

Admissions

- Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

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Community Leadership

Lauren volunteers with the Women's Center of Tarrant County's monthly legal clinic, where she provides legal options and answers to women on family law and estate planning matters.

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