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Attorney Larese's practice focuses on the probate and administration of decedent's estates and assisting individuals in obtaining adult guardianships. She also has experience in estate planning, including wills, powers of attorney, health care powers of attorney and living wills.

Attorney Larese received her undergraduate degree from Gannon University in 2006 and her Juris Doctor from Duquesne University School of Law in 2010, where she completed numerous summer internships in family law and a clinical externship in dependency with KidsVoice. Before entering private practice, attorney Larese served as the law clerk to the President Judge for Venango County, Pennsylvania, and the law clerk for an Orphans' Court Judge in Erie County, Pennsylvania, gaining useful experience in her current practice areas.

Attorney Larese is an active member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and the Erie County Bar Association, serving on the Leadership Committee with the Probates, Estate and Trust Section.

Areas of Practice

- Estate Planning (Wills, Powers of Attorney, Health Care Powers of Attorney, Living Wills)
- Adult Guardianships
- Probate
- Estate Administration

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania, 2010

U.S. District Court Western District of Pennsylvania, 2010

Education

Duquesne University School of Law, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

J.D. - 2010

Gannon University, Erie, Pennsylvania

B.A. *magna cum laude* - 2006

Professional Associations and Memberships

Pennsylvania Bar Association, Member, 2014 - Present

Erie County Bar Association, Member, 2014 - Present

ECBA Probate, Estates & Trust Section - Leadership Committee, 2016

Past Employment Positions

KidsVoice, Clinical Externship

President Judge for Venango County, Pennsylvania, Law Clerk

Orphans' Court Judge in Erie County, Pennsylvania, Law Clerk