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Sara concentrates her practice in business organization operations and planning, mergers and acquisitions, federal and state taxation, intellectual property issues, and health care law. Sara is admitted to practice in the State of Florida and before the United States Tax Court.

Prior to joining Henderson Franklin, Sara served as an Asset Integration Specialist at a local estate planning firm. During law school, Sara served as a legal intern for the Middle District of Florida as well as the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida.

Sara served as the Editor-in-Chief of the Child and Family Law Journal and as the Executive Board Treasurer for the National Conference of Law Reviews. Sara volunteered as a certified tax preparer with the Volunteer Income Tax Program. Among other distinguished positions, Sara was nominated to serve as a Dean's Writing Fellow, Research Assistant, and Teaching Assistant for Legal Research and Writing I and II courses. Sara was also selected to join the Class of 2017 National Order of the Scribes, which is an honorary organization that recognizes graduating law students who excel in legal writing.

Sara contributes to the firm's Southwest Florida Business & IP Blog and her posts include:

Business Owners, BEWARE: Business Identity Theft is on the Rise

Upon receiving her Juris Doctor, Sara continued her education at the University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law and obtained her Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation, graduating at the top of her class.

Naples Illustrated named Sara to their 2019 'Top Lawyers' list for her work in tax law.

Sara is a Cape Coral native and currently resides in Fort Myers with her Corgi, Yoda. She is fluent in English, Urdu, and Hindi. When not working, she enjoys traveling, photography, and spending time with her family and friends.

Professional and Civic Affiliations

Sara is active within the community and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Abuse Counseling & Treatment, Inc. ("ACT"), a private, not-for-profit agency committed to serving victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. She is also the Social Chair for the Lee County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. In addition, Sara is a member of the Association for Women Lawyers, the Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce and is primarily involved within the LeadershipNEXT and Women in Business groups. She is passionate about animals and is active with local animal charities within the tri-county area.

Over the years, Sara has volunteered for numerous non-profit organizations including United Way, Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida, Autism Speaks, Kiwanis Club of Fort Myers, and Harbor House of Central Florida.

Education

- Florida Gulf Coast University
Bachelor of Science, *magna cum laude*
- Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law
J.D., *magna cum laude*
- University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law
Master of Laws in Taxation (LL.M.)
- Admitted to the Florida Bar

Practice Areas

- Business & Tax Planning
- Health Care
- Intellectual Property
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Tax and Not for Profit Exempt Organizations Group
- Tax Planning & Controversy Group