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Bryan Phipps is a Shareholder in the Firm's Sacramento office, a member of the Litigation and Tax, Benefits, and Estate Planning practice groups, and Co-Chair of the Firm's national Trusts & Estates Litigation Practice Team. Mr. Phipps focuses his practice exclusively on helping individuals and families avoid and resolve inheritance disputes. His clients value his creative and effective advocacy in trust and estate disputes, including will and trust contests, contested fiduciary accountings, claims of breach of trust, financial elder abuse, and court-supervised protective proceedings such as conservatorships.

Mr. Phipps is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust, and Probate Law by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization, is consistently named by his peers as a *Northern California Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" in the area of Trust & Estate Litigation, and has been recognized as one of *Sacramento Magazine's* Top Lawyers in the field of Estate Planning & Probate since 2022.

Publications

- Undue Influence: Pressure Brought to Bear Directly on the Burden of Proof, *Trusts and Estates Quarterly*, September 6, 2022
- Bien-Venue: Commencing Breach of Trust Litigation in the Proper County, *Trusts and Estates Quarterly*, September 6, 2022
- In re Williams Securities Litigation—WCG Subclass: How Dura Met Daubert, *BYU Law Library*, September 2, 2022
- U.S. Supreme Court Ruling Regarding Inherited IRAs Highlights the Benefits of IRA Trusts, *Trusts & Estates Group Blog*, June 19, 2014
- Celebrity Trusts & Estates: Paul Walker Leaves His \$25 Million Estate to His Teenage Daughter, *The Trust & Estates Law Blog*, February 5, 2014
- Celebrity Trusts & Estates: Another Battle in the Saga of Bing Crosby's Right of Publicity Comes to an End, *Trusts & Estates Group*, January 31, 2014
- Celebrity Trusts & Estates: Casey Kasem Conservatorship Battle Highlights the Need for Clarity Regarding Control Over Visitation, *The Trust & Estates Law Blog*, January 8, 2014
- Avoiding Acceleration: How to Put the Brakes on Due-on-Sale Clauses when Funding Your Revocable Living Trust with Encumbered Real Property, *The Trust & Estates Law Blog*, November 7, 2013
- When Applying the 120-Day Statute of Limitations under Probate Code § 16061.8, When is a Trust Contest "Brought?", *The Trust & Estates Law Blog*, October 4, 2013

Presentations

- Speakers, "How to Decipher Estate Planning Documents as Well as (or Even Better than) Your Attorney ," Professional Fiduciary Association of California's 2024 Annual Educational Conference, May 15, 2024
- Speaker, "Bryan L. Phipps and Jarom B. Phipps, Speakers at the Sacramento Chapter of the Professional Fiduciary Association of California," PROFESSIONAL FIDUCIARY ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA - Sacramento Chapter Meeting, March 21, 2024
- Speakers, "Recent Developments: COVID Time Warp Edition," Placer County Chapter of the Professional Fiduciary Association of California, January 23, 2024
- Speaker, "Complex Probate Assets Problems - Solved," National Business Institute , December 7, 2023
- Speakers, "Dulling the Razor's Edge: Understanding, Identifying, and Navigating the Duty of Impartiality," Professional Fiduciary Association of California Annual Education Conference, June 1, 2023
- Speaker, "Case Study: Estate of Anne Heche," National College of Probate Judges Summer Conference, May 10, 2023
- Speakers, "Dulling the Razor's Edge: Understanding, Identifying, and Navigating the Duty of Impartiality," Professional Fiduciary Association of California, February 16, 2023
- Co-Presenter, "California Probate and Trust Litigation," The National Business Institute, September 15, 2022
- Co-Presenter, "California Probate Process: In 7 Simple Steps," The National Business Institute, June 14, 2022
- Speaker, "Probate Process and Executor Duties: The Master Checklist with Deadlines," National Business Institute, February 1, 2022
- Co-Presenter, "California Probate Process and Executor Duties: Master Checklist with Deadlines," The National Business Institute, November 10, 2021
- Co-Presenter, "Probate and Trust Administration," The National Business Institute, May 23, 2019
- Speaker, "In Sickness and in Health? 'Til Death Do Us Part?," El Dorado County Bar Association, November 1, 2015
- Speaker, "In Sickness and in Health? 'Til Death Do Us Part?," The California State Bar Solo/Small Firm Summit, June 1, 2015
- Speaker, "Five Red Flags to Spot in Order to Prevent Your Estate Plan from Failing," Parkshore Wealth Management, October 1, 2014
- Speaker, "Introduction to Financial Planning and Analysis, "Fundamentals of Comprehensive Estate Planning." ," University of California, Davis, April 29, 2014
- Co-Presenter, "Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Trustee Protection in a Post-Giraldin World," The Professional Fiduciary Association of California, 19th Annual Educational Conference, April 26, 2014
- Co-Presenter, "Elder Financial Abuse: Actions and Remedies," The Legal Services of Northern California, Elder Task Force Training, April 18, 2014
- Co-Presenter, "Managing Risk: How to Protect Yourself in a Post-Giraldin World," The Weintraub Tobin, Trusts & Estates Seminar Series, April 16, 2014
- Speaker, "Five Red Flags to Spot in Order to Prevent Your Client's Estate Plan from Failing," The Financial Planning Association of Northern California, June 1, 2012

Education

Mr. Phipps earned his J.D. from Brigham Young University, J. Reuben Clark Law School. He earned his B.A. from Brigham Young University.

Bar Admissions

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