



I inject sound, practical business advice into estate planning to help clients prepare for the future and smoothly weather transitions.

#### overview

Georgia Loukas Demeros is an estate planning advisor and personal general counsel for individuals, families, and business leaders, advising on an array of wealth and business issues.

Georgia takes on a “quarterback” role to provide counsel on complex estate planning and company succession planning issues for individuals and closely held businesses, serving each client’s individual and business interests holistically.

Closely held businesses have distinct estate planning needs, and Georgia regularly works with business owners to meet their estate planning and business objectives by reviewing and drafting operating and shareholder agreements, advising on insurance planning to fund owner buyouts, drafting trust agreements, assisting in trust funding and advising in the structuring of the business and other governance matters.

Multi-generational families turn to Georgia to advise them on wealth transfer issues, such as estate planning, lifetime gifts, estate tax and probate matters, and business succession planning. She has led significant tax work and corporate restructuring for family-owned and other closely held businesses to achieve a successful transition to the next generation of owners. Additionally, she handles the administration of decedents’ estates, and represents families in court proceedings to open probate estates, post-mortem estate tax planning, preparation and filing of estate tax returns and all other probate matters.

Georgia draws on her background as a CPA to analyze assets, tax liabilities, commercial entity structures, and personal goals. She builds strong relationships with clients over many years and creates practical blueprints for their legacy planning. With an emphasis on clear communication, she helps them navigate the estate planning, administration and succession planning process.

Georgia frequently takes on pro bono work and participates in philanthropic and nonprofit organizations in her community. She was recognized as the Hellenic Bar Association’s Lawyer of the Year in 2020 and has been named as one of Crain’s Chicago Business Notable Women in Law and among the “Top Forty Lawyers Under 40 to Watch” by Law Bulletin Publishing Company. She is a regular speaker on estate planning topics for various organizations.

## Georgia

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#### MY SERVICES

Private Wealth  
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Family Office

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#### EDUCATION

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, LL.M., Taxation, 2003

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, J.D., 1998

Presidential Scholarship, 1995-1998

Illinois Association of Realtors Scholarship, 1998

Dean's List

Loyola University Chicago, B.B.A., 1994

Beta Alpha Psi Member

Dean's List

Academic Scholarship

Activities Scholarship

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#### ADMISSIONS

Illinois

U.S. District Court Northern District Illinois

U.S. Tax Court

## languages

- Greek (fluent)

## affiliations

- Certified Public Accountant, Illinois, 1996
- Hellenic Bar Association Foundation, Treasurer 2023-Present; President 2021-2022
- Foundation of Hellenic Studies - Illinois, Board Member, 2023-Present
- Loyola University of Chicago Accounting Department Academic Advisory Board, 2017-Present
- Hellenic Bar Association, Chairman of the Board, 2022-2023; President, 2021-2022; Officer, 2014-2022; Board of Director Member, 2009-2014
- Hellenic American Leadership Council, Council Member, 2012-Present
- Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Legal Advisor
- American Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- Chicago Estate Planning Council
- Pythagoras Greek School of St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, School Board Member, 2017-2020
- Chicago Bar Association's Young Lawyer's Section Estate Planning Committee, Co-Chair, 2002-2004
- Just the Beginning Foundation, Treasurer, 2001-2004
- Illinois Real Estate Broker, 2000

## recognitions

- Crain's Chicago Business Notable Women in Law, 2020
- Hellenic Bar Association Lawyer of the Year, 2020
- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (by BL Rankings), 2023-2025
- Listed in Illinois Super Lawyers (by Thomson Reuters), 2014-2025, and Rising Stars, 2011-2012
- United Hellenic Voters Association Most Distinguished Greek-American in Law, 2018
- Chicago Magazine Five Star Professional for estate-planning, 2014
- Law Bulletin Publishing Company Illinois Top Forty Lawyers Under 40 to Watch list, 2010

## publications

- **"Buy-Sell Agreements: Strategies for Buy-Sell Agreements Using Insurance"**  
Thomson Reuters Estate Planning Journal, September 2019
- **"Deducting Administration Expenses at the First Death: Form 706 vs. Form 1041 (Not as Simple as You Think)"**  
Trusts & Estates - Illinois State Bar Association Newsletter, 2008
- **Featured Author, "Why Do Estate Planning Now?"**  
Corporate Creations® Newsletter, July 2003

- Co-Author, **Estate Planning Newsletter**  
FagelHaber LLC, 2002-2007
- **"Illinois Durable Power of Attorney – Do You Need One?"**  
Newsletter
- **"Could the Terri Schiavo Situation Happen to You?"**  
Newsletter
- **"Reap the Benefit of Your Estate Plan"**  
Newsletter
- **"New Tax Law Changes May Affect You"**  
Newsletter
- **"Year-End Tax Planning"**  
Newsletter
- **"Illinois Says Goodbye to the Feds"**  
Newsletter
- **"Family Limited Partnerships"**  
Newsletter
- **"Will Your Closely Held Business Survive For Future Generations?"**  
Newsletter
- **"Key Components Of An Estate Plan"**  
Newsletter
- **"Top Ten Reasons Why You Need An Estate Plan Even If Taxes Are Not An Issue"**  
Newsletter

## presentations

- **"Buy-Sell Agreements After Connelly"**  
American Bar Association/Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section, August 27, 2024
- **"Wealth Planning & Closely-Held Entities - Exploring Available Options"**  
Greater Northshore Estate and Financial Planning Council, September 18, 2024
- **"Wealth Planning and Business Entities - What's in our toolbelt?"**  
Chicago Estate Planning Council, April 26, 2023
- **"Estate Planning in a Low Interest Rate Environment"**  
Fox Valley Estate Planning Council, March 2021
- **"SECURE Act: Rules and Planning Ideas CEPC Members Need to Know"**  
Chicago Estate Planning Council Webinar, February 2020

## in my free time

In addition to being with my family and reading, I enjoy exploring my Greek ancestry and culture, especially by making trips to Greece.