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Heather A. Benjamin focuses her practice on advising high net worth individuals and families on all aspects of estate planning, charitable giving and business succession matters in order to help clients achieve their goals in the most tax-efficient manner, while remaining attentive to the deeply personal family dynamics that are unique to each client.

Ms. Benjamin also regularly represents beneficiaries and fiduciaries with respect to the administration of complex trusts and estates, including dispute resolutions and the settlement of tax controversies. In addition, she has extensive experience structuring family offices and providing counsel on business succession planning, particularly in the context of M&A and financing transactions.

Ms. Benjamin is a member of the Board of Trustees of The Pinkerton Foundation, Montclair Art Museum and Montclair Kimberley Academy, as well as a member of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. She was named a 2022 “Next Gen Emerging Millennial Leader” by Corporate Counsel Women of Color and received Euromoney Legal Media Group’s 2022 Americas Rising Star Award for “Best in Wealth Management.” Ms. Benjamin has been recognized for her work in trusts and estates by *The Best Lawyers in America* and has also been named to the *Lawdragon* 500 X – The Next Generation list.

Ms. Benjamin is from Stamford, Connecticut. She received a B.A. from New York University in 2005 and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 2010, where she was the Managing Editor of the *Blackletter Law Journal* and an editor of the *Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*. Ms. Benjamin is a partner liaison to Cravath’s African American/Black Affinity Group.

Ms. Benjamin joined Cravath in 2011 and was elected a partner in 2020.

EDUCATION

- J.D., 2010, Harvard Law School
- B.A., 2005, New York University

ADMITTED IN

- New York

ORGANIZATIONS

Jack and Jill of America, Inc.

- Member, Greater Essex County Chapter

Montclair Art Museum

- Board of Trustees

Montclair Kimberley Academy

- Board of Trustees

The Pinkerton Foundation

- Board of Trustees

RANKINGS

Best Lawyers in America

- Trusts and Estates Law (2025)

Corporate Counsel Women of Color

- Next Gen Emerging Millennial Leader (2022)

Lawdragon

- 500 X – The Next Generation (2024, 2023)

Americas Rising Star Awards - Best in Wealth Management, Euromoney Legal Media Group (2022)