

**Statement of Gaelle Bastien**  
**Candidate for Steering Committee**  
**Estates, Trusts, and Probate Law Community**

I hope to bring nearly a decade of experience in estates and trusts to the DC Bar's Estates, Trusts and Probate Law Community. Having worked in various capacities in this field since 2017, I understand the importance of estate planning and the challenges attorneys face in engaging younger generations. I will work to simplify complex legal concepts and leverage social avenues to make estate planning more accessible. Strengthening outreach efforts, creating engaging educational events, and fostering discussions on modern estate planning approaches will be key priorities. I am committed to ensuring this community remains innovative, inclusive, and impactful.