MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Getting to Know
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WHAT DREW YOU TO THE PRACTICE OF SPECIAL NEEDS PLANNING?
I know it's cliche, but it is a such a gratifying area to practice in. We are genuinely helping people navigate difficult circumstances every day. They come in and we give them solutions that enable them to help their disabled loved one. It's a great gig.

WHAT'S ONE PIECE OF ADVICE YOU FIND YOURSELF GIVING CLIENTS OVER AND OVER AGAIN?
Planning ahead is exponentially better than dealing with the consequences of failing to plan or planning too late. More efficient in every way.

WHAT IS ONE LESSON YOUR CLIENTS HAVE TAUGHT YOU?
People can be so resilient in the face of overwhelming adversity. My clients, especially the parents of disabled children, are finding ways to help and advocate for their kids every single day.

WHAT'S SOMETHING ABOUT YOU THAT MIGHT SURPRISE OTHERS?
I have six children and I was a stay at home mom after law school for 25 plus years. I started Elder Law of Omaha the year I turned 50.

WHAT'S A CAUSE OR ISSUE YOU CARE DEEPLY ABOUT OUTSIDE OF YOUR WORK?
I am Catholic and my faith is a part of everything I do.

WHAT'S YOUR IDEAL WAY TO SPEND A SATURDAY?
Sleep in a bit – until 7 am, at least, do a small satisfying house project, watch a Husker game on TV in the afternoon, especially if they win, and have supper with friends or at the home of family.

WHAT HOBBY OR INTEREST HELPS YOU UNWIND?
I have recently taken up Mah Jong, and I play golf really badly. Watching a good multi part series on TV with my husband and drinking a bit of white wine is a definite go to.