

# Dolores A. Laputka

Member

Dolores A. Laputka focuses her practice primarily on tax-related matters, whether connected to a family's closely-held business or to estate planning for one of the principals. In a former life, Dolores was a Certified Public Accountant, which enables her to handle complex business and tax-related matters for corporations, limited liability companies, and partnerships, as well as succession planning and financial and estate planning for families and executives at all levels. She also devotes a significant portion of her practice to tax issues for not-for-profit organizations, including charitable giving techniques maximizing the income tax and death tax benefits.


She has handled multi-dimensional transactions, applying tax-efficient methodology to the buying and selling of family businesses, inter-relation of succession planning, and estate planning for closely-held businesses, corporate restructuring, mergers and acquisitions, real estate transactions, management of privacy issues surrounding significant lottery winnings, and more.

Dolores especially enjoys management and consulting with the nonpublic business owner in all aspects of the legal and business environment "from cradle to grave."

Since moving to the Lehigh Valley in 1990, Dolores has been involved in many community organizations in positions such as general counsel and past chair of the Board of Directors of the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley; member of the Board of Directors, secretary, and chairman of the Allentown Art Museum of the Lehigh Valley; past president of the Allentown Rotary Club; and past board member of the Lehigh County Community College Foundation. In 2019, she was recognized as a Greater Lehigh Valley business leader, receiving *Lehigh Valley Business* Icon Honors. When not working, she enjoys sailing on the Chesapeake or "playing at" golf.



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## Areas of practice

Business Law

Mergers & Acquisitions

Estate Planning and Administration  
& Wealth Preservation

Taxation

Elder Care & Special Needs Law

## Education

Duquesne University School of Law

J.D., 1978

Boston College

B.A., *cum laude*, 1975



## Professional Affiliations

ArtsQuest Foundation

Linny Award, Lifetime Achievement

Volunteer in the Arts, 2018

United Way

Extraordinary Service Award, 2017

Lehigh Valley SUITS

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National Arthritis Foundation

Spirit of Philanthropy Award, 2007

Women's Leadership Indicative of the

United Way

Great Lehigh Valley Philanthropist  
of the year, 2007

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania

Lehigh Valley Woman of Distinction  
Award, 2008

Good Shepherd Home Raker

Memorial Award, 1999

## Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania

U.S. Tax Court

U.S. District Court

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

## Personal Awards

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