

Maria F. Galante

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Maria F. Galante, Esq. is counsel to Porzio, Bromberg & Newman and is a member of the firm's Wealth Preservation group in the firm's New York office. She focuses on Trust and Estates, Estate Planning, Asset Protection, Estate Litigation, and Elder Law.

Ms. Galante advises clients in planning to create a comprehensive estate plan that will accurately reflect their needs, and protect their assets and family. She has extensive experience in guardianship proceedings (contested and uncontested) under both Mental Hygiene Law and the Surrogate's Court Procedures Act. She is a Part 36 fiduciary with the Courts of the State of New York, and is qualified to be appointed Court-Appointed Counsel for alleged incapacitated persons and as Court Evaluator in guardianship proceedings. Ms. Galante also represents clients in probate and administration matters, including litigated matters such as objections to wills (SCPA 1404 proceedings), judicial accountings, and turnovers of property. Ms. Galante is admitted to practice in New York and Colombia. She is fluent in Spanish.

## **Recognitions**

New York Metro Rising Stars® (2016-2019)

## **Memberships**

- New York Women's Bar Association Board of Directors (2024-present); Member, Judiciary Committee (2025-present);
  Co-Chair, Elder Law & Disabilities Section (2021-present); Trust and Estates Section (2019-present)
- Latino Lawyers Association of Queens County (2018-present)
- Queens County Bar Association Elder Law Committee (2016-present); Co-Chair, Diversity & Inclusion Committee (2024)
- Queens County Women's Bar Association (2016-present)
- New York State Bar Association Elder Law and Trust and Estates (2009 present)
- Women's Bar Association of the State of New York Board of Directors



### Maria F. Galante Cont.

### **News**

- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Becomes Designated Custodian of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP's Estate Planning Documents, 5/07/2025
- Wealth Preservation Counsel Maria F. Galante Appointed Co-Chair of Queens County Bar Association Diversity & Inclusion Committee, 2/21/2024
- Wealth Preservation Counsel Maria F. Galante Elected to the Board of Directors of the New York Women's Bar Association (NYWBA), 1/12/2024
- Porzio's Wealth Preservation Group Expands Practice with the Addition of Three New Attorneys, 6/17/2021

### **Articles**

- Navigating the Corporate Transparency and New York LLC Transparency Acts: A Guide for Trust and Estates Attorneys -New York Law Journal, 10/21/2024
- Practical Considerations When Attempting to Remove an Ineffective Fiduciary, 9/12/2022

### **Events**

• On-Demand Webinar - Securing Futures: The Impact of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, 8/13/2025

### **Speaking Engagements**

- "The New Administration: Anything Can Happen!," Porzio's Wealth Preservation Symposium, 1/29/2025
- "Navigating the Corporate Transparency Act and New York LLC Transparency Act Practical Considerations," CELESQ, 11/26/2024
- "Hispanic Heritage Month Roundtable," Queens County Bar Assocation, 10/02/2024
- "Tricky Issues in Elder Law and Best Practices for Resolving them Outside of Court," New York Women's Bar Association Elder Law and Disabilities Committee, 9/24/2024
- Moderator, "Supportive Decision-Making in Guardianship," NYWBA's Elder Law and Disability Committee Webinar, 1/13/2022

### **Practices**

Wealth Preservation

### **Bar Admissions**

- New York, 2009
- Colombia, South America, 2000



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# **Education**

- Fordham University School of Law LL.M., 2008
- Universidad de la Sabana J.D. equivalent , 2000

# Languages

• Spanish

