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Daniel L. Daniels is a partner in Wiggin and Dana's Private Client Services Department. He divides his time between the firm's Greenwich and New York offices. Dan focuses his practice representing business owners, private equity and hedge fund founders, corporate executives and other wealthy individuals and their families.

Dan is included on Worth magazine's list of the top 100 trust lawyers in the United States. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and is listed in The Best Lawyers in America in the categories of Trusts and Estates and Trust Litigation (for more information about the standards for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America, please see ww.bestlawyers.com/ aboutus/selectionprocess.aspx). He received his A.B., summa cum laude, from Dartmouth and his J.D., cum laude from Harvard Law School.

Dan is a co-author of the book, Trusts and Estates Legal Strategies (2008 Aspatore Books) and has written numerous articles on estate and succession planning for various publications, including Trusts and Estates magazine, Estate Planning magazine, Practical Tax Strategies magazine, the National Law Journal and Exempt Organization Review. He also has been quoted on trust and tax-related subjects in various periodicals, including the Wall Street Journal, Kiplinger's Personal Finance and Financial Planning.

Dan is a frequent lecturer to lawyers and non-lawyers throughout the United States, including lectures before the Annual Meeting of the Tax Section of the American Bar Association, the Advanced Estate Planning Conference of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning.

Dan is licensed to practice in Connecticut and New York. He is a member of the Executive Committees of both the Tax Section and the Estates and Probate Section of the Connecticut Bar Association, as well as the American, Connecticut, New York and Fairfield County Bar Associations. He is a current or former member of the board of various civic and charitable organizations including the Greenwich Library and the Fairfield County Community Foundation.

Dan has a particular interest in working with owners of family- and closely-held businesses. He worked for several years in his own family's third generation family business. He is a member of the Family Firm Institute and Attorneys for Family Held Enterprises, as well as Wiggin and Dana's Closely Held Business Practice Group.

Dan and his wife and children live in Greenwich, Connecticut.