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WEALTH MANAGEMENT

CARLA C. WIGEN

Chief Operating Officer

Carla Wigen joined Laird Norton Wealth Management (LNWM) in 2018 and is chief operating officer. In this key role, Carla works to ensure that the full strength of LNWM's services is being applied strategically to achieve the goals of each client, and to develop new connections, resources and programs that help clients thrive in all aspects of their lives. To her work, Carla brings 25 years of experience as an industry leader in comprehensive wealth management, including investments, planning, trusts and estate strategies, and tax law.

Prior to her current position, Carla was LNWM's managing director of client services and prior to that managing director of fiduciary strategy. Before joining LNWM, she was regional manager of investment and fiduciary services and the market leader for Bellevue and Alaska at a large national bank. Throughout her career, her roles have included regional wealth manager and senior trust officer. Carla started her career as an associate attorney at Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, P.C., specializing in business, tax and real estate law.

In the Pacific Northwest and beyond, Carla is frequently sought out for her insights and expertise on wealth and legacy planning. Currently, she is a fellow with the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), immediate past-chair and member of the University of Washington Foundation's Estate and Gift Planning Council, and a past-president and member of the Estate Planning Council of Seattle. She is a board member of the Seattle Aquarium and a member of Washington Women in Tax.

Carla is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), earned a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) at the Seattle University School of Law, and a Master of Laws (LL.M.) at the University of Washington School of Law. She has a BA in Business Administration from the University of Washington.