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AHAVA Law, P.C., is a Boutique Estate, Trust, and Probate Law Firm with offices in Lakewood and Newport Beach, where Estate Planning is *Planning for life...with YOUR love!*

Sheila-Marie Finkelstein, Esq., is the Principal of AHAVA Law, P.C., and is a Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trusts and Probate Law, by the California Board of Legal Specialization.

Sheila-Marie is passionate about education and veterans. She practices in estate planning because of her experiences as a Clerk for the U.S. Air Force JAG corps, and as an elementary school science teacher with Teach for America. She firmly believes every Californian over the age of 18 needs a proper plan.

She is also a Veterans Affairs Accredited Attorney. She launched the pro bono Estate Clinic at Veteran's Legal Institute. Sheila-Marie has been published multiple times in American Bar Association national magazines, has taught several Continuing Legal Education Courses, and frequently speaks at private and public events on the benefits of proper estate planning for individuals, families, and professionals.



CREDENTIALS

- ♦ California Attorney
- ♦ Veterans Affairs Accredited Attorney
- ♦ Super Lawyers™ Rising Star 2018 - 2019

EDUCATION

- ♦ Chapman University School of Law (LLM Taxation -in progress)
- ♦ Washington & Lee University School of Law (Juris Doctorate)
- ♦ University of Copenhagen (International Law)
- ♦ University of Nevada Las Vegas (Masters of Education)
- ♦ American University (Bachelors of Arts)

PUBLICATIONS

- ♦ Powers of Attorney, July 2016 – ABA GP/Solo
- ♦ Estate Planning for Old Age and Incapacity, November 2015 – ABA GP/Solo
- ♦ How to Become VA Accredited, March 2019 – ABA GP/Solo

LEADERSHIP

- ♦ OC Women Lawyers Association – Executive Officer (2016-2019) – Board of Directors (2012 – 2019)
- ♦ OC Jewish Bar Association – President (2019) – Executive Officer (2015 -Present) - Board of Directors (2011 – Present)
- ♦ OCBA Young Lawyers Division (2011-2016) – Education Chair (2014)
- ♦ OCBA Veterans & Military Committee – Chair (2019) – Vice Chair (2014 -2018)
- ♦ Veteran's Legal Institute – Board of Directors (2016 – Present)