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HELPS MAKE ESTATE, ASSET PLANNING EASY

Attorney Lindsey Paige Markus has a knack for understanding and explaining estate planning and asset protection.

Markus, a principal with the law firm Chuhak & Tecson, P.C., works closely with clients to formulate succession plans, advise on business formation, wealth preservation, and gift and estate taxation.

But she also makes it a priority to share her wealth of knowledge in these sometimes complicated and overwhelming areas of practice through public speaking engagements, a column in the *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin* and her website, www.lindseymarkus.com.

Pam Flaherty, vice president of Schwartz Brothers Insurance, said Markus is easy to understand, a great educator and an overall fantastic public speaker.

"One of her exceptional contributions to the legal world is her fantastic website," she said. "Her attention to detail, professional approach and personal touch make everyone comfortable and ready to move forward. Her priority always starts and ends with the clients needs and desires."

Kathryn Garlow, a tax partner with Shepard Schwartz & Harris LLP, met Markus while serving on a professional panel on the benefits and necessity of estate planning and income tax planning.

"Ms. Markus has a natural ability to break down complex tax and estate laws into clear, cohesive concepts," Garlow said. "Her communication skills are outstanding, and she always answers the audience's questions in a comprehensive and direct manner."

Susan M. Mongillo, vice president of gift planning for Advocate Charitable Foundation, said Markus is highly competent and committed.

"When I was looking for charter members for my organization's gift planning advisory committee, Lindsey's name quickly bubbled up," Mongillo said. "She had a reputation for being an outstanding lawyer as well as an expert in charitable planning. Lucky for me Lindsey agreed to be on the committee where she has served with distinction."

Mongillo recalled a panel Markus participated in that tackled the issue of mental capacity and advanced directives.

"Her performance was superb as she demonstrated a depth of knowledge about the subject and was able to handle the questions competently," Mongillo said.

Markus is active in her firm's Women Helping Women initiative, which holds bi-annual events to strengthen professional relationships and support charitable organizations. She has been active with the nonprofit organization Between Friends, which is dedicated to ending domestic violence. Markus is a member of the Executive Board of the Jewish United Fund's Young Leadership Division and serves on JUF's Professional Advisory Committee and Legacies Endowment Committee. She is a member of the Professional Women's Club of Chicago and contributes to a study group called The Geneva Connection.