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Social Media Ghosts and Online Hauntings

Few people probably think about what happens to their social media and online email accounts after they die. These "ghost" accounts can go on to "haunt" other social media users or become the subject of disputes by estate representatives seeking access to their (often very personal) contents. This presentation will discuss how, as a matter of online hygiene) one can (and should) use options like account settings and estate planning to control the disposition of an online account after death. This presentation will be a lecture accompanied by power point slides.

Biography

Sara Beth's practice focuses on representing and advising the legal representatives for future claimants in connection with more than a dozen mass tort chapter 11 bankruptcy cases and post-bankruptcy personal injury claim settlement trusts. Jurisdictions for such matters include the U.S. Bankruptcy and District Courts in Delaware, the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the Southern District of New York, as well as the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. In addition, she serves as counsel to an asbestos personal injury claims settlement trust.

As co-chair of Young Conaway's Cybersecurity, Privacy and Data Protection practice team, Sara Beth assists clients with developing policies and strategies for the protection of confidential and sensitive data. She has

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Sara Beth's experience also includes advising clients on the selection and protection of, and transactions involving, intellectual property assets, such as copyrights, trademarks, domain names, and trade secrets. She also has litigated matters involving intellectual property rights, including claims alleging infringement, invalidity and unenforceability of trademarks, domain names, and patents; theft of trade secrets; trademark dilution; unfair competition; and deceptive trade practices. In addition, she has represented national and local businesses in corporate and commercial issues in the federal and state courts of Delaware.

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