

2019 Estate Planning Hall of Fame



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Julie served on the AICPA's planning committee for the "Tax Planning Strategies for the High-Income Individual" conference, where she is also a frequent speaker. She recently served on the AICPA's Personal Financial Planning Executive Committee and currently serves on the Kansas City Estate Planning Symposium Committee. She is an Advisory Board member of the Wolters Kluwer Financial and Estate Planning Advisory Board. She has been a co-columnist for the Journal of Financial Planning and a frequent columnist for CPA Magazine. She co-authored and published 101 Tax Saving Ideas with Randy Gardner, soon to be in its Eleventh Edition.

Julie received the AICPA Sid Kess Award for Excellence in Continuing Education in 2015 and the UMKC Alumni Achievement Award for 1999. She was recognized by the Kansas City Business Journal as a Women Who Mean Business Honoree and by the Missouri Society of CPAs as a Women to Watch – Experienced Leader.