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Michelle R. Kenney is a founding member of GAPS Legal, PLLC. GAPS Legal, PLLC was created to serve the specific legal needs of the guardianship, advocacy, probate, planning and special needs communities. Prior to obtaining her JD from NSU Shepard Broad College of Law in 2016, Michelle served vulnerable and disabled individuals in South Florida in various roles since 1994, with over 21 years in the guardianship community. She was the Executive Director and a Professional Guardian for a non-profit corporate guardianship program where she administered over 100 guardianships and monitored the agency operations that ensured quality care for her clients and their families. She is a Florida Supreme Court certified circuit civil and county mediator and is an instructor for the guardianship courses in Broward County and online across Florida. Michelle has been an educator for the National Guardianship Association since 2007 and served as a Board Member for the organization for four years.

Ms. Kenney is a past president of the Center for Guardianship Certification, the Florida State Guardianship Association and the Broward County Guardianship Association and has served on various committees for these organizations with a focus on education and increasing professionalism. She is a current member of the Florida Bar and the Broward County Bar Association and serves as a committee member for the Florida Bar Elder Law Section's Guardianship Committee and the WINGS Liaison. She is a current board member of the Florida Justice Technology Center and Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida, Inc., and serves on the advisory board for Nova Southeastern University's Shepard Broad College of Law Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Law Clinic.

Ms. Kenney has been published in *The Caucus*, the Broward County Bar Association *Barrister*, and has participated in the development of most of the curricula used in Florida for guardianship trainings. Michelle has facilitated educational offerings at the Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys Elder Concert for several years and has presented at the Family Café in addition to various local and online presentations. Since 2001, she has provided over 2,000 of hours of guardianship education nationally and in Florida to over 5,000 professionals and family members.

She was a recipient of the Broward County Women Lawyers' Association Rising Star Scholarship and the National Guardianship Association Outstanding Affiliate Member Award.

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