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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Trusts & Estates



As an associate in the Trusts and Estates Practice group, I assist individuals, families, and business owners in creating and administering their estate plans. I work closely with other Buckingham team members to prepare trusts, wills, powers of attorney, and other related documents to achieve our clients' objectives. I also work closely with executors and trustees to effectively administer decedents' estates and trusts. With my background in tax law, I add value in identifying and resolving difficult tax issues associated with trust creation and administration, as well as business succession planning. My business law training allows me to assist other Buckingham attorneys in business transactional matters.

EXPERIENCE

- Small Entrepreneur and Economic Development (SEED) Clinic at the University of Akron School of Law (2023)

EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

The University of Akron School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2023)

CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Civil Procedure Federal Jurisdiction, Civil Procedure Federal Litigation, Individual Income Taxation, and Advanced Business Associations

ASP Fellow for Torts

Dean's List

Board of Trustees Scholarship

Franciscan University (B.A., Humanities & Philosophy, *summa cum laude*, 2017)

Christopher Dawson Departmental Award for the Humanities

Fr. Sean Sullivan Departmental Award for Philosophy

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Admissions

Ohio (2023)

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Main Street Medina, Design Committee

Akron Tax & Estate Planning Council

Lawyers' Guild of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland

Past Affiliations

Main Street Medina, Volunteer Intern (2019 - 2020)

Associations

Akron Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association