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Steven advises clients on customized strategies for estate planning, business succession, and legacy preservation.

Drawing on a deep understanding of trust law, wealth transfer strategies, and business succession planning, Steven develops tax-efficient estate plans that reflect each client's values and long-term goals. He advises individuals, families, and business owners on a broad range of estate and trust matters, including complex tax planning, charitable giving, and fiduciary administration. Steven works closely with clients and their advisors to design practical, coordinated solutions that preserve wealth and provide for future generations. Known for his clear and collaborative approach, he makes sophisticated planning strategies accessible and actionable. His practice is focused on protecting clients' legacies with precision, foresight, and care.

Select Experience

- Draft tailored estate plan for client designed to minimize transfer taxes upon death.
- Counsel business owner on the structure of qualified small business to ensure exclusion of significant capital gains upon his sale of stock.
- Develop internal compliance procedures for corporate fiduciary in relation to trust administration and anti-money laundering regulations.
- Advise client regarding the toggling on and off of grantor trust status of trusts.

Accolades

- *Best Lawyers® Ones to Watch in America*, 2025-2026

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 2021)
- University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management (B.S.B., 2015)

Bar Admissions

- New York
- Virginia
- Not admitted in Minnesota. Admitted in New York and Virginia.