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Bill assists clients in estate planning, family office representation, business and succession planning, estate and trust administration, and estate and trust litigation.

Bill is a partner and previously served as Co-Chair of the Tax, Trusts & Estates department.

Accolades

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, 1993-2026
- *Minnesota Super Lawyers*®, 1999-2026
- *Minnesota Monthly*, "Top Lawyers in Minnesota," 2024, 2026
- *Chambers High Net Worth (HNW)*, Private Wealth Law, Minnesota, 2018-2025
- Fellow, American College of Trust & Estate Counsel, 1999-present
- American Research Corporation, Leading Minnesota Attorneys, 1997-present

Select Presentations

- Adjunct Professor, Wills and Trusts, William Mitchell College of Law, 1982-1984
- Instructor, Estate Planning and Administration for Paralegals, University of Minnesota, 1981

Education

- University of Minnesota Law School (J.D., 1978)
 - *magna cum laude*;
 - Order of the Coif;
 - Articles Editor, *Minnesota Law Review*, 1977-1978
- College of St. Thomas (B.A., English, 1975)
 - *summa cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

Insights

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New Tax Act