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Practice Areas

Estates and Trusts

Business Law

Will and Trust Litigation

As chair of the Estates and Trusts Department, John focuses on estate planning, and estate and trust administration. With prior experience as a Certified Public Accountant, John leverages his knowledge of tax law for businesses and individuals in preparing estate and gift tax plans, and works with business owners on their succession planning matters. Additionally, John counsels landowners with oil and gas interests on their tax and estate planning challenges. John is skilled at using sophisticated estate planning techniques to minimize federal and state death taxes, and to transfer wealth in a controlled and efficient manner.

John regularly presents seminars to lawyers, accountants, and financial planners for continuing professional education and general information concerning estate planning, corporate tax and business succession planning, and estate administration matters.

Bar Admissions

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- United States Tax Court

Education

- Duquesne University, J.D.
- Clarion University, M.B.A.
- Pennsylvania State University, B.S.

Professional Affiliations

- Member, Allegheny County Bar Association (Probate Trust Law Section)
- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, Estate Planning Counsel of Pittsburgh
- Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Vice President, Executive Board Member, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- Board Member, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Western Pennsylvania