

John Bannen

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About John

John Bannen was a partner in the Estate, Trust & Wealth Preservation Group.

Professional Recognitions

- Ranked Band 1 in *Chambers HNW* (2018: Private Wealth Law)
- State Bar of Wisconsin – Pro Bono Honor Society (2013, 2015-2020)
- Named Best Lawyers® 2010, 2019 Milwaukee Trusts & Estates "Lawyer of the Year"
- Selected as Five Star Wealth Manager (2010-2020)
- Selected for inclusion in the 2005-2019, 2021 Wisconsin Super Lawyers® lists (Estate Planning & Probate)
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® (1995-2023: Trusts and Estates)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Peer Review Rated
- Board Certified Estate Planning Law Specialist as accredited by American Bar Association
- Chartered Life Underwriter
- Michael Gonring Pro Bono Team of the Year Award (2019)

Professional & Civic Activities

- Milwaukee Bar Association (Chairman, Legal Services For the Elderly Committee, 1984-1986; Chairman, Probate, Practice and Procedure, 1987-1988)
- American Bar Association (Taxation and Real Property, Probate and Trust Sections)

Education and Honors

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee (M.A.F.L.L., 2011)

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee (B.A., 2003)

DePaul University College of Law (LL.M., 1989)

Marquette University Law School (J.D., 1976)

University of St. Thomas (B.A., 1973)

Bar Admissions

Wisconsin

Court Admissions

U.S. Tax Court, 1983

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, 1979

U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin, 1979

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Languages

Spanish





- State Bar of Wisconsin (Director, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Sections 1990-1993)
- Taxation Section, Inter-Professional Relations Accountants' Committee, Member (1976-1980)
- Wisconsin Society of Chartered Life Underwriters (Director 1996-1998)
- American Society of Chartered Life Underwriters (CLU)
- Associate Member Association for Advanced Life Underwriters (AALU) (1999-2015)
- Wisconsin Retirement Plan Professionals, Ltd. (Director, 1987-1990)
- Fellow, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), (1990-present)
- Trustee, ACTEC Foundation (2012-2017)
- ACTEC Wisconsin State Laws Coordinator (1992-1995)
- ACTEC Committee Chair Employee Benefits in Estate Planning (2002-2005)
- ACTEC Wisconsin State Chair (2007-2013)
- Greater Milwaukee Employee Benefits Council
- Estate Administration Section of General Practice program, University of Wisconsin Law School, Instructor, 1981
- Planned Giving Committee, Next Door Foundation, Inc., Member
- Planned Giving Committee, School Sisters of Notre Dame, Member
- School Sisters of Notre Dame Advisory Counsel, President (1995-1998)
- Westwind Greens Owners Association, Director (1991-1995)
- St. Michael's Cemetery Association, Secretary
- Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi Ongoing Community Support Plan, Trustee (1995-2005)
- Servants of Mary Continuing Care Charitable Trust, Trustee (2003-2005)
- Wauwatosa Knights of Columbus Foundation, Inc., Trustee (1982-1999)
- Society of the Divine Savior Ongoing Support Trust, Trustee (2004-2005)
- Christ King Parish Community, Trustee and Treasurer (1995-1998)
- Planned Giving Committee Milwaukee Zoological Society, Member

