

From the time Jeff founded his law firm in Lincoln, Nebraska he has made significant contributions to the life of the firm, both personally and professionally. As the former Chair of the ACTEC Heart of America Region and ACTEC State Chair for Nebraska he is committed to improving the estate and trust profession in Nebraska and throughout the Midwest. Jeff is dedicated in his service to clients and generous in sharing his insight and expertise with colleagues as a mentor, advisor, and friend.

Jeff is a Fellow in the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC). ACTEC consists of approximately 2,200 of the nation's top estate and trust estate attorneys. Membership requires nomination review at the state and national levels and election by the ACTEC Board of Regents. This acknowledgment is the highest achievement one can obtain in the estate and trust practice. His involvement in ACTEC is exemplary as is his passion for the development of estate planning and business succession planning for his clients.

Jeff is a current member of the ACTEC's Fiduciary Litigation Committee, Fiduciary Administration Committee, and Long Range Planning Committee. He also currently serves as one of three Chancellors for the Heart of America Institute III tasked with developing and educating younger attorneys in the Trust and Estate practice in the five state Heart of America Region.

Jeff is a shareholder of the Firm, Chair of the Firm's Estate, Trust and Business Planning practice group, and a member of the Fiduciary Trust and Estate Litigation practice group. He earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor of Science in business administration and law degree from Creighton University School of Law. Jeff has spent more than 40 years providing clients with solutions to issues regarding their business, family tax and estate planning, as well as developing and implementing plans to protect their business and family relationships.

His experience and skill support his practice with informal and formal mediation for estate and trust disputes and for family and business succession planning solutions for the challenges presented to his clients.

Jeff's list of distinguished clients includes agricultural clients, family-owned businesses, entrepreneurs, nonprofit and exempt organizations, corporations, limited liability companies, fiduciaries, and individuals.

RECOGNITION:

- Best Lawyers in America ® for Trust and Estates, Estate Planning and Real Estate Law since 2014
- 2008 Charitable Gift Planners of Nebraska Sowers Award for Community Service to charitable estate planning in Nebraska
- Lincoln Community Foundation – Trustee and former Chair and member of the Board of Directors
- Lincoln Public School Foundation – Trustee and former member of the Board of Directors
- Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission (2015-2021)
- Nebraska State Bar Foundation – Fellow
- Martindale-Hubbell AV ® Preeminent Rating