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Practice Areas

Corporate Law

Closely Held Business Transactions

Family Office Services

Private Equity & Venture

Startups & Emerging Businesses

Tax

Wealth Planning & Family Office

Bar Memberships

Kentucky

Ohio

Aaron concentrates his practice in estate planning, probate estate and trust administration, business succession planning, asset protection planning, wealth transfer planning, and charitable gift planning. He also advises clients on estate tax, gift tax, and generation-skipping transfer taxation issues. Former leader of the Private Client & Wealth Planning service team.

Aaron counsels and works with clients to implement comprehensive estate and family legacy planning including the use of wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, spousal lifetime access trusts (SLAT), dynasty trusts, generation-skipping trusts, family limited partnerships and limited liability companies, installment sales to intentionally defective grantor trusts, grantor retained annuity trusts (GRAT), residence trusts, private family foundations and donor advised funds, and charitable remainder and charitable lead trusts to meet family objectives. He also has experience in planning for distributions from retirement plans and IRAs. Aaron frequently works with high-net worth individuals and families, closely-held business owners, executives of publicly traded companies, and multi-generational families and has experience planning for their unique situations. Aaron enjoys working with individuals and families to ensure that their legacy is properly planned and

administered to leave a lasting impact.

Prior to joining Frost Brown Todd, Aaron served as a Field Artillery officer in the U.S. Army during both peacetime and war. A West Point graduate, Aaron deployed overseas to Iraq, Kuwait, and Kosovo as well as serving in New York, Georgia, Oklahoma, California, and Louisiana. For Aaron's combat service in Iraq, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

Other Info About Aaron

Education

Northern Kentucky University, Salmon P. Chase, College of Law, J.D., cum laude

United States Military Academy, B.S., West Point

Clerkships

Department of the Army, the Pentagon, Office of the General Counsel

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Judge S. Arthur Spiegel

Recognition

The Best Lawyers in America®: Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, 2027; Trusts and Estates, 2024-2027

Selected as Member of Leadership Kentucky, Class of 2019

Selected as Member of Ohio State Bar Association Leadership Academy, Class of 2014

Cincinnati Business Courier Forty Under 40, Class of 2012

Selected as Member of Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber's C-Change Leadership Development Program, Class V

Northern Kentucky University College of Informatics, Development Council Member

Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Most Likely to Succeed, Class of 2007

Northern Kentucky Law Review Editorial Board, Kentucky Survey Issue Editor

Bronze Star for combat service in Iraq

Professional Affiliations

Cincinnati Estate Planning Council, Member

American Bar Association, Section on Real Property, Trust and Estate Law

Ohio Bar Association

Kentucky Bar Association

Cincinnati Bar Association, Estate Planning and Probate Committee

Northern Kentucky Bar Association

West Point Association of Graduates

Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Honor Council

Phi Alpha Delta, Law Fraternity

Civic Activities

Planned Gifts Committee, St. Elizabeth Healthcare Foundation, Chair

Scott Christian Memorial Soccer Foundation, President

Carnegie Center for Performing Arts, Vice President, Board Member, Member of Executive Committee and Nominating Committees

Children's Home of Cincinnati, Young Professionals Board Member, Member of Finance & Investment Committees

Northern Kentucky Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation, Advisory Committee Member

Volunteer Lawyer Program, Wills Clinic

Wills for Heroes, Pro Bono Estate Planning Clinic

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