

PRACTICE AREAS

Agriculture Law

Estate Planning and Private Wealth

Business Transactions and Counseling

Probate, Estate and Trust Litigation

Mergers, Acquisitions and Divestitures

Taxation Law

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Travis Schroeder represents business owners, farmers and their families. He is engaged in estate and wealth transfer planning, wills, trusts, probate law, taxation, general business and corporate law and agricultural law. Mr. Schroeder is involved in the Iowa State Bar Association and the Linn and Johnson County Bar Associations. He is a graduate of the Heart of America Fellows Institute Class of 2019 and is a member of the Cedar Rapids Area Estate Planning Council and the Iowa Academy of Trust and Estate Counsel.

Probate. To help clients after the loss of a family member, Mr. Schroeder assists clients with the administration of trusts and estates and works to resolve trust and estate controversies.

Taxation. Mr. Schroeder advises individual and farm/business clients regarding the tax aspects (income, gift, estate, and generation-skipping transfer) of proposed business transactions, pass-through entities (limited liability companies, partnerships, and S corporations) and estate tax planning techniques. In addition, Mr. Schroeder prepares estate tax returns, gift tax returns and fiduciary income tax returns,

Agricultural Law. Mr. Schroeder advises and represents farmers, farm families and others in the agricultural industry. Drawing on his small town roots and past personal involvement in his family's farming operation, Mr. Schroeder understands the multifaceted nature of agriculture and the individuals and families who make a living from farming. Mr. Schroeder's representation of clients in the agricultural industry includes, but is not limited to, the following matters: Estate and Farm Succession Planning, Tax (Income, Gift, Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Planning, Business Entity Formation & Organization, Entity Ownership Agreements, Real Estate Transactions and Issues, Farm Leases and Contracts.

General Corporate and Business Matters. Mr. Schroeder advises farmers and other business owners regarding entity organization, operation, governance, reorganization, and tax and succession planning

. In this regard, Mr. Schroeder reviews, negotiates, and drafts organizational documents, reorganizational documents, redemption agreements, shareholder agreements, buy-sell agreements, operating agreements, partnership agreements and stock purchase agreements.

Mergers, Acquisitions and Divestitures. Mr. Cavanaugh is involved in negotiating transactions, document drafting, coordination of closings and continued support post-closing.

Bar Admissions

State of Iowa, 2009

Education

- University of Iowa College of Law, JD, with distinction, 2009
- University of Iowa, BBA, with highest distinction, 2006

Honors & Awards

- Included in the Best Lawyers in America® list, 2025
 - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Trusts and Estates
- Heart of America Fellows Institute of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, 2019 Graduate
- Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class, 2010-2011

Professional & Community Affiliations

Professional Memberships

- Iowa State Bar Association
 - Agricultural Law Section
 - Business Law Section
 - o Probate Trust and Estate Planning Law Section
 - Taxation Section
- Linn County Bar Association
- Johnson County Bar Association
- Cedar Rapids Area Estate Planning Council (CRAEPC)
- Iowa Academy of Trust and Estate Counsel (IATEC)

Community Involvement

- Indian Creek Nature Center, Former Board Member
- North Liberty Community Food Pantry, Former Board Member

Presentations

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2024

Succession Planning Panel, 12/4/2024

2023

- Land Law Update, Iowa Association of Realtors, 10/5/2023
- Addressing the Unique Challenges Faced by Iowa Farm Families, Iowa State Bar Association Webinar, 7/20/23
- Addressing the Unique Challenges Faced by Iowa Farm Families, Planning for Success Seminar, Coralville, IA, 3/31/23

2022 Presentations

- LLCs and the Farm: A Practitioner Workshop, ISU Center for Ag Law and Taxation, 8/12/22
- Stop Fighting on the Way to the Funeral Home, Key Advisors Panel for LattaHarris, LLP, 6/13/22

2019 Presentations

- Revocable Trusts, Clayton QTIPs and Disclaimer Planning, Iowa State Bar Association Webinar, 4/17/19
- Planning After the 2017 Tax Act, Planning for Success Seminar, Coralville, IA,

2018 Presentations

- Business Succession Seminar, North Liberty, IA, 12/12/18
- Estate and Succession Planning in 2018, Ames, IA, 9/25/18
- Squeezing Profit from the 2018 Tax Law Change, Big Country Seeds, Tiffin, IA, 1/24/18

2016 Presentations

Estate Planning for Farm Families and Implications of Proposed 2704 Regulations,
 University of Iowa Fall Probate Seminar, Iowa City, IA, 9/16/16

2015 Presentations

- Estate and Business Succession Planning for Owners of Corporations and LLCs Planning for the Best Seminar, Iowa City, IA, 11/4/15
- Estate and Succession Planning for Farmers and Business Owners LattaHarris, LLP and TD&T Seminar, Cedar Rapids, IA, 10/21/15
- Estate and Succession Planning for Clients with Corporations MidWest One Bank and SPMB Summer Seminar, Iowa City, IA, 7/30/15
- Panelist re Family Farm Estate and Succession Planning Farm Bureau's "Take Root" Program Series, Independence, IA, 3/12/15

2014 Presentations

- Panelist re Family Farm Estate and Succession Planning Farm Bureau's "Take Root" Program Series, Tipton, IA, 8/19/14
- Panelist re Family Farm Estate and Succession Planning Farm Bureau's "Take Root" Program Series, Eldora, IA, 3/6/14

2013 Presentations

- Estate Planning With Life Insurance, From Soup to Nuts University of Iowa Fall Probate Seminar, Iowa City, IA, 11/22/13
- Estate and Business Succession Planning Concepts for Farmers and Farm Owners
 Seminar for Latta Harris, LLP, Cedar Rapids, IA, 10/15/13
- Estate and Business Succession Planning Concepts for Farmers and Farm Owners
 - Seminar for Iowa Farm Business Association, Cedar Rapids, IA, 8/18/13

News & Events

2024

• Travis Schroeder Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2025, 8/15/2024

2022

Travis Schroeder Listed as Up and Coming for Second Year in Chambers HNW,
 Private Wealth Law - Iowa, 07/18/2022

2021

- Best Lawyers® 2022, 08/19/2021
- Travis Schroeder Listed as Up and Coming in Chambers HNW, Private Wealth Law - Iowa, 07/20/2021

2020

Best Lawyers In America Recognizes 37 SPMB Attorneys, 08/20/2020