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Practice Areas

Estate Planning, Estate & Trust Administration

Estate, Trust & Fiduciary Litigation

Trust Company Industry Group

Admissions

Wisconsin

Education

Juris Doctor, University of Michigan Law School, *cum laude*

Bachelor of Arts, Lawrence University, *summa cum laude*, Philosophy

Other Offices

Appleton

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Jeff Billings is a shareholder with Godfrey & Kahn's Estate Planning, Estate & Trust Administration practice, practicing in the firm's Milwaukee and Appleton offices. He regularly works with families, business owners, executives, doctors, and other professionals to grow, manage and protect wealth. Jeff provides clients with comprehensive planning solutions covering a range of services, including core estate planning, business succession planning, complex gifting strategies, inter-generational wealth planning, estate and trust administration, charitable giving, and asset protection planning. He strives to provide clients with strategic legal advice and smart, practical solutions to real world problems. Jeff regularly advises trustees and high-net worth families on the most favorable states to administer trusts and the impacts of state income taxation on inter-generational trust wealth. He has significant experience counseling clients on the creation and ongoing management of public/private trust companies and family offices, and works closely with families who wish to establish, run and manage sizable private foundations designed to create a family legacy and have a significant impact in the community.

Jeff graduated from Lawrence University *summa cum laude* with a focus in philosophy and economics. He graduated from the University of Michigan Law School *cum laude* where he enjoyed teaching undergraduate courses in the University of Michigan's Philosophy Department. Jeff is actively involved as legal counsel and assistant secretary of the HAMP Foundation, Inc., a private foundation scholarship program for Milwaukee County high school students. He writes articles for and serves on the planned giving advisory council for the Medical College of Wisconsin, and enjoys serving on the Board of Directors of the Friends of Boerner Botanical Garden.

Professional Association Memberships

Fox Valley Estate Planning Council

LGBT Chamber of Commerce – Supporting Member

Milwaukee Bar Association

Milwaukee Corporate Casual

Milwaukee Estate Planning Forum

Outagamie County Bar Association

Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section Member of the State Bar of Wisconsin

Activities

Hampshire Trust LLC - Legal Counsel

HAMP Foundation, Inc. - Legal Counsel and Assistant Secretary

Medical College of Wisconsin, Planned Giving Advisory Council - Committee Member

Midwinter Estate Planning Clinic

Milwaukee Bar Association – Past Chair of Estate and Trust Section

Honors

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* (Trust and Estates, 2015 - present)

Recognized by *Super Lawyers* as a *Wisconsin Rising Star* (2009, 2016 - present)

Recognized as a Five Star Wealth Manager (2011 - 2023)