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John Lynham helps families and businesses with all their estate planning needs, including administration, tax savings, asset protection, business succession, and philanthropy strategies. He also represents clients before local courts with regard to will and trust defense and estate and trust administrations and before the IRS, District of Columbia, and states regarding audit and compliance issues.

John's experience includes estate and trust planning and administration; estate, generation-skipping, gift, and income taxation; real estate sales, leasing, and settlements; tax-exempt organizations, including the formation and operation of foundations; and litigation. He has also had significant involvement with the preparation of wills; revocable and irrevocable trusts; powers of attorney; estate, gift, and income tax returns; and the administration of probate and trust estates.

Representative Experience

- Represented client in negotiation and preparation of premarital agreement.
- Represented client in operation of a charitable grant-making foundation.

Awards and Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Litigation – Trusts and Estates (2011-2023)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Trusts and Estates Law (2006-2023)
- Rated as AV Preeminent®, the highest performance rating in the Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Ratings™ system
- *Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers*® (2013-2021)

Affiliations

- Member of the D.C. Superior Court Advisory Committee on Probate and Fiduciary Rules
- Former member of the D.C. Bar's Estates, Trusts, and Probate Steering Committee, and task forces on the Uniform Trust Act and the Omnibus Trusts and Estates Amendment Act

Community Involvement

- Board member, Hattie M. Strong Foundation, Dimick Foundation, Charles H. Miller Charitable Foundation, and Arena Stage
- Member, Washington, D.C. Estate Planning Council; Lawyers Club of Washington; The Barristers of Washington, D.C.; The Counsellors; Finance and Management Committee of John Carroll Society; Washington, D.C. Chapters of Sons of the Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, and Society of Colonial Wars; and Maryland Chapter of Society of the Cincinnati

Presentations and Publications

John frequently lectures to both lawyer and nonlawyer groups on estate, trust, tax, and asset protection matters.

Sectors

- [Manufacturing](#)
- [Racial Justice & Equity](#)

Practice Areas

- [Corporate](#)
- [Estate Planning](#)
- [Foley Private Client Services](#)

Education

- George Washington University Law School (J.D., 1983)
- Georgetown University Law Center (LL.M., 1990)
- University of Maryland (M.B.A, 1979)
- Trinity College (B.S. 1975)

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- U.S. Supreme Court