



Marian V. "Bo" Mehan

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Marian "Bo" Mehan is a trusted advisor with decades of experience in estate and trust law, known for her excellence in guiding individuals, families, and institutions through complex planning and administration.

Bo is a co-chair emeritus of the Firm's Estate Planning Department and a former member of the Firm's Management Committee. With more than three decades of experience, she advises clients on estate planning, wealth transfer strategies, estate and trust administration, and post-mortem planning.

Bo has built her practice on a strong foundation of personal and professional relationships within the St. Louis community. Her work often involves deeply personal matters, and she is known for guiding clients and their families through the estate planning process with discretion, compassion, and sound judgment. Her understanding of the tax code and years of practice make her a trusted advisor to high-net-worth individuals and families, including those with privately held businesses.

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Bo is a frequent speaker and panelist on advanced estate planning topics and is committed to continuing education in the field. In 2016, she was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame, the highest honor awarded by Saint Louis University School of Law to alumni who demonstrate leadership in their communities and in their legal careers.

Bo is actively involved in civic and charitable work and has held leadership roles with several nonprofit organizations in St. Louis, including the Pershing Foundation, Lesley A. Waldheim Foundation, and Saint Louis University. She currently serves as Chair of ACCESS Academies, a nonprofit dedicated to providing high-quality, values-based education to socially and economically disadvantaged students in the St. Louis area.

Services

- Trust & Estates
- Tax-Exempt Organizations
- Charitable & Cultural Taxation

Education

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1982)
 - Order of the Woolsack
 - Alpha Sigma Nu
 - Phi Delta Phi
 - academic scholarship
- Saint Louis University (B.S., *magna cum laude*, 1974)
 - Nursing
- St. Mary's College of Notre Dame (1971)
 - Rome, Italy (1971-1972)

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association, Real Property, Probate and Trust Section
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Estate Planning Council of St. Louis

Admissions

- Missouri Bar
- Illinois Bar

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Board Member, Pershing Foundation
- Board Member, Saint Louis University
- Board Member, Edward Mallinckrodt Foundation
- Board Member, Lesley Waldheim Foundation
- Chair, ACCESS Academies
- Member, Board of Governors, Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital Foundation
- Past member, Board of Trustees, Chaminade College Preparatory, St. Louis, MO
- Past Chairman, Board of Directors, Academy of the Visitation
- Past Chair, St. Louis Archdiocesan Parish Teacher's Compensation Committee
- Past member, Saint Louis University Alumni Council
- Past member, Development Committee, Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis
- Past member, Board of Catholic Services for Children
- Past member, Endowment Council, St. Louis Art Museum Foundation

Special Honors

- ICON Award, Missouri Lawyers Media, 2019
- SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame Honoree, 2016

Charitable Work

Bo is committed to giving back to her community. Some of her current civic leadership roles include:

Board Member & Secretary, Edward Mallinckrodt Foundation

The Edward Mallinckrodt, Jr. Foundation is a private foundation that funds basic biomedical research in St. Louis and throughout the United States. The mission of the Foundation is to support early stage investigators engaged in biomedical research that has the potential to significantly advance the understanding, diagnosis, or treatment of disease.

Chair, ACCESS Academies

Founded in 2005, ACCESS Academies (Academies Creating Challenging Education for St. Louis Students) ensures that socially and/or economically disadvantaged students in the St. Louis area have access to top-quality, values-based education regardless of race, ethnicity, or religious affiliation.

Board Member, Saint Louis University

Saint Louis University is governed by a board of trustees encompassing business, civic, and religious leaders, many of whom are SLU alumni. The board elects the president and is responsible for oversight and governance of the University.

Member, Board of Governors, Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital Foundation

Cardinal Glennon Children's Foundation provides the financial support necessary for delivering exceptional health care in state-of-the-art facilities to all children in need of care.

Other leadership roles have included:

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