



Paul R. Himmelstein

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Paul Himmelstein advises individuals and businesses on legal matters spanning estate planning, taxation, real estate, and corporate transactions, with a focus on building long-term strategies and solving complex challenges.

Paul works with his clients on a variety of business, real estate, taxation, and estate planning matters. Paul assists with business formation, choice of entity decisions, contract review, real estate transactions, and employment issues. In his estate planning practice, Paul drafts wills, revocable trusts, family limited partnerships, limited liability companies, irrevocable insurance trusts, grantor retained annuity trusts, qualified personal residence trusts, and various charitable trusts. He also assists clients with other sophisticated estate and tax planning strategies as well as the administration of decedents' trusts and probate estates, including individual, gift, estate, generation-skipping tax, and income tax returns as well as fiduciary income tax returns.

Paul is extremely active in civic organizations and was named to *Ingram's* 2012 class of Forty under 40 and the Dan Fingersh Young Leadership Award in 2018.

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., 1999)
 - Editor, *Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics*
- Washington University in St. Louis (1996)
 - B.S. Finance
 - B.A. Psychology, minor in History

Legal Background

- President, Van Osdol, P.C. (2015-2017)
- Partner, Van Osdol, P.C. (2009-2021)
- Associate, Bryan Cave (1999-2009)

Professional Affiliations

Services

- Corporate Strategies
- Trust & Estates
- Real Estate
- Taxation

- Probate & Estate Planning Committee, Missouri Bar Association (2011-2017)

Admissions

- Missouri Bar
- Kansas Bar

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Jewish Federation (2011-2020)
 - Annual Meeting Chair (2020)
 - Treasurer (2015-2018)
 - Young Programming Initiative (YPI) planning member (2006-present); search committee for Executive Director (2007)
 - Founding member and Chair, Business & Professionals Committee (2008-2010)
 - Attracting and Retaining Young Adults Committee (2008)
- Kansas City Estate Planning Symposium (2009-present)
 - Sponsorships Chair (2018-present)
- Founding member Chairman's Club, American Royal (2013)
- Pembroke Hill – Raider Club (2020)
 - Chapter Co-Chair for Cookbook (2009)
 - Annual Fund Grade Chair (2018)
- Founding member J-LEAD (2005-2009)
- Jewish Family Services
 - Board member (2004-2010)
 - Vice President (2007-2009)
 - Chair Executive Director search committee (2006-2007)
- Gillis Ambassador (2008-2012)

Special Honors

- *Super Lawyers* (2014-present)
- *Super Lawyers* Rising Star (2009, 2011-2013)
- Dan Fingersh Young Leadership Award (2018)
- *Ingram's* 40 under 40 (2012)
- Next Generation Leader, Jewish Federation (2008)
- *Best Lawyers* - Real Estate Law (2019-2026)