

## Biography: Alan J. Yanowitz

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Alan J. Yanowitz practices in the areas of estate planning including living trusts and wills, probate and probate avoidance, family wealth transfers, and business succession planning. Mr. Yanowitz graduated from Bard College in 1970 and received his Juris Doctor degree from Suffolk University in 1974. He then completed the Boston University Law School Graduate Tax Program receiving a Master of Laws degree in taxation in 1977.

He worked as a tax manager for a national accounting firm in Washington, D.C., until 1979 and operated his own tax practice in Washington before moving to Rochester in 1984. He has authored numerous articles on taxation which have appeared in regional and national publications, including the Journal of Taxation and the Journal of Real Estate Taxation.

He has taught estate planning as an Adjunct Professor of Law at George Mason University School of Law in Virginia and has lectured frequently. He has taught numerous courses for lawyers on estate planning topics for the Minnesota State Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Institute in Minneapolis. He served as chair (1998) and co-chair (1997) of the annual Probate and Trust Law Institute sponsored by the Probate and Trust Law Section, Minnesota State Bar Association, and Minnesota State Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Institute. Since 2002, he has been a member of a question and answer panel at the annual Institute. He is a co-author of the fifth edition of "Drafting Wills and Trust Agreements," published by the Minnesota State Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Institute.

He is a former member of the Steering Council, Tax Section, Minnesota State Bar Association, past president of the Rochester Estate Planning Council, past president of the Rochester Tax Roundtable, and past member of the Governing Council, Probate and Trust Law Section (Member Education, Technology and Legislation Committees). He is a member of the Minnesota State Bar Association. He is also a Fellow in the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel.

He has been listed since 1994 in Woodward/White, Inc.'s "The Best Lawyers In America." He has been listed as a Super Lawyer by Minnesota Law and Politics and Minneapolis/St. Paul Magazine. Since 2002, he has been voted one of 40 best Trust and Estate Lawyers by other Minnesota State Bar Association members. He has an "AV" rating in Martindale-Hubbell, the national legal directory. This is the highest rating for legal ability and ethics. He also practices in the areas of business law, buying and selling businesses, general tax planning, and tax audits and tax disputes.

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