



## Alex E. Snyder

Partner

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### OVERVIEW:

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Alex Snyder concentrates his practice in estate and trust planning and administration, tax planning, and business law. Alex's clients range from individuals to families, small business owners and non-profit organizations.

In Alex's estate and trust practice, he assists his clients in developing their estate and tax plan to best meet their individual, family or business succession planning needs while minimizing tax implications. Alex's experience includes drafting wills, living wills, advanced directives, revocable trusts, dynasty trusts, irrevocable insurance trusts, irrevocable life insurance trusts, qualified personal residence trusts, grantor retained annuity trusts (GRATs), charitable remainder annuity trusts (CRATs), charitable remainder unitrusts (CRUTs), special needs trusts, family limited partnerships, and powers of attorney. He also assists clients with estate and trust administration and the probate process. Alex's experience includes matters involving Orphan's Court and fiduciary litigation. Alex also advises his clients on tax planning for both individuals and business owners. Alex is active with the York County Estate Planning Council, the local chapter of the National Association of Estate Planners and Councils.

Alex's estate planning practice dovetails with his work with small and closely-held business clients. Alex has experience working with his clients on issues such as entity formation and structuring, succession planning, contract review, non-disclosure agreements, shipping and distribution and real estate matters. Alex has gained a unique understanding of the issues facing family-owned and agricultural businesses through his personal experience with his family's small commercial farm.

Alex works with corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies on the complex tax issues that are inherent in the acquisitions and sales of business assets and interests. He also assists business clients with navigating problems related to state and local taxation involving realty transfer tax, sales tax, employment taxes and income tax withholding. In addition, Alex works with developers and investors on the tax implications and structuring of projects designed to capture federal and state historic tax credits, new markets tax credits, low-income housing tax credits and renewable energy credits.

Additionally, Alex has assisted non-profit organizations in formation, tax-exempt status filing, and general governance issues.

## EDUCATION:

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- Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law, LL.M. in Taxation
- Washington and Lee University School of Law, J.D., magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, Law Review
- University of Pennsylvania, B.A., summa cum laude

## ADMISSIONS:

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- Pennsylvania
- U.S. Supreme Court

## PRACTICE AREAS:

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- Business
- Tax
- Trusts & Estates
- ESOP
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

## INDUSTRY GROUPS:

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- Banking
- Senior Living

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

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### WITF

Board Member

### Lancaster Conservancy

Board Secretary

**Registers of Wills and Clerks of Orphans' Court Association**

Solicitor

**York County Community Foundation**

Legal Counsel

**Susquehanna Gateway Heritage Area**

Secretary and Board Member

**York County Estate Planning Council**

Board President

**York County Farm and Natural Lands Trust; vice president**

Board Member and Chair of Land Preservation Committee

**RECOGNITIONS:**

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- The Best Lawyers in America, Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law (2024, 2025)  
Trusts and Estates (2024, 2025)
- Central Penn Business Journal (Forty Under 40, 2014)
- Pennsylvania Rising Stars (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)

**PRESENTATIONS:**

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- Panelist - 2023 York Business Seminar (October 2023)
- "Why You Can't Afford to Miss out on a 1031 Exchange", Wake up with Barley: A Morning on Real Estate (September 2017)
- "Tax-Exempt Financing: and New Market Tax Credits", Barley Snyder LendiCon Seminar (March 2016)
- "Tax Issues That Can Impact Your Business", Barley Snyder Business Seminar (October 2015)
- "Business Succession & Wealth Transfer: Considerations of Death, Taxes and Achieving Family Harmony", Barley Snyder Business Seminar (October 2014)
- "The Tax Implications of Pennsylvania Companies Doing Business Out of State", Barley Snyder Business Seminar (October 2012)

## RELATED NEWS:

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- A Business Owners Guide to the New Partnership Audit Rules  
May 15, 2018
- What the Final Tax Bill Means for Estate and Gift Tax Planning  
December 22, 2017
- Thirteen Barley Snyder Attorneys Named Select Lawyers  
December 27, 2016
- Eight Barley Snyder Attorneys Selected to the 2015 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and 2015 Pennsylvania Rising Stars Lists  
May 15, 2015
- Barley Snyder Attorneys Named to the Lists of 2014 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Pennsylvania Rising Stars  
May 27, 2014