

# **Megan Ryland Tanner**

Associate

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### **OVERVIEW:**

Megan is a member of Barley Snyder's <u>Business</u> and <u>Real Estate</u> practice groups, bringing over 20 years of experience to the firm. She is dedicated to serving her clients while making a difference in the community.

In her business practice, Megan assists clients with entity formations and agreements including liability, operations and indemnification. She has experience handling liquor license matters with the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) such as liquor license purchases, sales, transfers and related matters. In one instance, Megan represented a restaurant owner in a matter where PLCB would not approve a restaurant manager due to her criminal history. Megan advocated for her client and requested a hearing, and the manager was ultimately approved to act as manager. Furthermore, Megan frequently handles business sales, for both buyers and sellers, in the region. Megan's business and liquor license experience ties in nicely with her real estate practice where she regularly handles real estate closings and sales agreements in addition to being a licensed title agent.

Megan started her law career in private practice where she gained a breadth of experience in real estate and title work, family law, criminal defense work and litigation. In addition to her years in private law firm practice, Megan previously served in the Lebanon County District Attorney's Office as Senior Deputy District Attorney where she prosecuted felony and misdemeanor cases including child abuse, juvenile and adult sex crimes, domestic violence, homicides and robberies in both adult and juvenile criminal systems. Megan handled sensitive cases while working closely with the Sexual Assault Resource and Counseling Center (SARCC), conducting well over 100 jury trials. Additionally, she managed and handled all the Act 21 (civil commitments) for the office as well as developed and managed the child abuse response police advisories and multidisciplinary investigative team (MDIT). Megan was an active member of the Lebanon County Child Abuse Task Force and a board member representing Lebanon County for the Children's Resource Center in Harrisburg. She was appointed by the Lebanon County Court of Common Pleas as a Custody Conciliator, a role which she served in from June 2003 to January 2023, resolving familial custody issues in lieu of litigation.

Megan has been recognized for many of her professional achievements. She was honored among the "Women Working for Justice" by the Lebanon County Commission for Women and received the "Children's Hero Award" in 2014 from the Children's Resource Center and again in 2015 from SARCC. Outside of the firm, Megan stays involved

with Leadership Lebanon Valley's Justice Day Program volunteering with its mock trial and providing a presentation about the criminal system.

A life-long resident of Lebanon County and mother of three, Megan earned her bachelor's degree from Penn State University in Public Policy and her juris doctor degree from Widener University School of Law.

## **EDUCATION:**

- Widener University School of Law, J.D.
- Penn State University, B.S. in Public Policy

#### ADMISSIONS:

- Pennsylvania
- · Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

### **PRACTICE AREAS:**

- Business
- Real Estate
- Title Insurance
- Land Use

#### **INDUSTRY GROUPS:**

- Hospitality
- Liquor Law

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

### **Salvation Army Lebanon Corps**

Board member

#### Lebanon County Bar Association

Board member

#### Leadership Lebanon Valley Justice Day Program

Volunteer and presenter

#### Lebanon County for the Children's Resource Center

Former board member

#### **MEMBERSHIPS:**

Pennsylvania Bar Association

#### **RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS:**

- Women Working for Justice by the Lebanon County Commission for Women in 2013
- Children's Hero Award from Children's Resource Center in 2014
- Children's Hero Award from Sexual Assault Resource and Counseling Center in 2015

#### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

- · Lebanon County Court of Common Pleas, Custody Conciliator, June 2003 to January 2023
- · Lebanon County Child Abuse Task Force, Former Member

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

 Mock Criminal Trial/Presentation on the Criminal Justice System, Leadership Lebanon Valley Justice Day Program (June 2023)

#### **RELATED NEWS:**

- Barley Snyder Attorney Megan Ryland Tanner Appointed to Salvation Army Lebanon Corps Board of Directors April 4, 2024
- Barley Snyder Adds Attorney Nichole Eisenhart to Growing Roster
  October 16, 2023

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