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### Areas of Practice

- Estate Planning
- Probate and Trust Administration
- Business Planning and Succession
- Tax Planning

### Education

- University of Arkansas  
School of Law  
J.D., 2017
- University of Arkansas  
B.S., *summa cum laude*, 2014

### Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Kansas

### Experience

Chris takes a personal and down-to-earth approach to helping individuals, families, and business owners design comprehensive estate plans that reflect their goals and values. His career began in a unique place – working for an NFL sports agent – where he gained insight into the unique needs of high-net-worth clients and the importance of being a trusted advisor. Those lessons continue to shape his thoughtful approach today as he works with clients at every stage of life and across all levels of wealth.

Chris works closely with high-net-worth individuals and families to implement strategies that protect their assets, ensure smooth transitions to future generations, and minimize taxes such as gift, estate, and generation-skipping transfer taxes. He prepares a broad range of customized planning documents, including revocable and irrevocable trusts, wills, durable powers of attorney, and health care directives/living wills. He also assists clients with administering trusts and estates, preparing estate tax returns and gift tax returns, and forming limited liability companies.

### Distinctions

- Graduate, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) Heart of America Institute, Class IV

### Affiliations

- The Missouri Bar, Member