



#### PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation  
Trusts, Estates, and Wealth Transfer

#### INDUSTRIES

Tax-Exempt Organizations  
Trade Associations

#### EDUCATION

The Ohio State University  
Michael E. Moritz College of Law,  
J.D., 1987, with Honors, Order of  
the Coif

Bowling Green State University,  
B.S., *cum laude*

#### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Ohio  
U.S. District Court for the  
Southern District of Ohio  
U.S. Tax Court

*Admitted to practice law only in  
the states listed above.*

## MARK E. VANNATTA

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Mark is a partner in the Vorys Columbus office and a member of the tax group. He practices in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust administration, litigation including estates and trusts and tax-exempt organizations, generation-skipping transfer tax savings, and probate law. He has considerable experience in drafting and formulating estate plans and is actively involved in all aspects of estate administration for individuals and families. Mark also has extensive experience advising tax-exempt organizations.

Mark is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association and the Columbus Bar Association.

Mark has lectured on a variety of estate and trust topics, including charitable giving and the fundamentals of estate planning, for the Cincinnati Bar Association, the Columbus Tax Conference and The Ohio State University Medical Center.

Mark received his J.D. from The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law with honors where he was a member of the Order of the Coif. He received his B.S. *cum laude* from Bowling Green State University.

Mark is a former member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the *Probate Law Journal of Ohio*.

### Insights

"Unsure About Secure: Proposed Regulations Significantly Change Assumptions About Administration of Inherited IRAs Following Secure Act," May 4, 2022

"The Potential Changes to Estate and Gift Tax Exemption, Grantor Trust Rules and Valuation Discounts," September 28, 2021

"How to Prepare For Future (Or Past) Tax Law Changes," August 30, 2021

"Succession Planning For Family-Owned and Closely Held Businesses: Keeping Your Family Protected," April 26, 2021

"Here Today, Gone in 2026 – Or Maybe 2021! - Planning to Use Estate, Gift and GST Tax Exemptions in 2020," October 27, 2020

"Planning For the Succession of the Family Vacation Home," June 2, 2020

"Don't Forget These Important Legal Documents for Your College-Bound Child," May 6, 2020

"IRS Postpones Due Date for Filing and Payment of Federal Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Taxes, Expands Extension of Other Filing Deadlines," April 13, 2020

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"IRS Postpones Due Date for Filing of Gift Tax and Estate and Trust Income Tax Returns and for Payment of Tax," April 3, 2020

"Stock Market Downturn, Low Interest Rates Provide Perfect Opportunity For GRATs," April 3, 2020

### Professional and Community Activities

The MACBEA Foundation, Director and Treasurer, 2010-present

The Columbus Foundation, Legal Advisory Committee, 2000-present

The Wexner Center Foundation, Secretary and ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees, 2005-present

Ohio State University Sports Medicine Advisory Board Member, 2016-2019

I Know I Can, Board Member, 2001-2018; President, 2010 and 2011

Athletic Club of Columbus, Director, 2012-2018

### Honors and Awards

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Columbus Tax Law "Lawyer of the Year," 2018

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Columbus Non-Profit/Charities "Lawyer of the Year," 2013, 2020

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Trusts and Estates, 2006-2022

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Non-profit/Charities Law, 2007-2022

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Tax Law, 2007-2022

*Columbus CEO*, Top Lawyers in Columbus, 2010-2021

Martindale-Hubbell AV Peer Review Rated

*Business First*, The Best Lawyers in Central Ohio, Trusts and Estates, Non-Profit/Charities Law and Tax Law, 2008-2010

*Business First*, Forty Under 40, 1998

Columbus Junior Chamber of Commerce, Outstanding Young Citizens, 1994

Fellow of the Columbus Bar Foundation since 2006