



Darrel A. Morf

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PRACTICE AREAS

Agriculture Law

Estate Planning and Private
Wealth

Probate, Estate and Trust
Litigation

Darrel Morf is an estate planning attorney who has served generations of families since joining Simmons Perrine in 1970. Mr. Morf is actively engaged in volunteer and philanthropic activities in the community and while currently serving on the board for five organizations, he also recently co-chaired the United Way of East Central Iowa Annual Campaign.

Mr. Morf was the estate planning lecturer, teaching an upper level course in estate planning at the University of Iowa College of Law for 17 years. He continues to present to both attorneys and laypersons on a wide range of estate planning topics.

Bar Admissions

- State of Iowa

Education

- University of Iowa College of Law, JD, with high distinction, 1969
 - Order of the Coif
- University of Iowa, BA, with highest distinction, 1966

Clerkship

- Law Clerk for the Honorable Donald P. Lay of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, which covers Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Arkansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota

Honors & Awards

- Included in Great Plains Super Lawyers list, 2007, 2009-2020, 2022-2024

- Included in the Best Lawyers® "Lawyer of the Year" for Cedar Rapids, 2025
 - Trusts and Estates
- Included in the Best Lawyers in America® list, 2025
 - Trusts and Estates
- AV Rating by Martindale-Hubbell®
- Darrel Morf Receives the LCBA's 2025 Citizenship Award
- 2002 Benjamin Franklin Philanthropy Day Award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals for his service to the non-profit community in Iowa and nationally

Professional & Community Affiliations

Professional Memberships

- Iowa State Bar Association, Member
 - Member, Probate, Trust & Estate Planning Section
 - Special Committee on Probate, Property and Trust Law, 1977-1987
 - Former Member, Board of Governors
- Fellow, Iowa State Bar Foundation
- American Bar Association
 - Real Property, Trust & Estate Law Section
 - Division Membership in Senior Lawyers
- Linn County Bar Association, Member
 - Former President
- American College of Trust and Estate Counsel
 - Fellow

Community Involvement

- United Way of East Central Iowa
 - Co-Chair 2018-2019 Campaign
- Mercy Medical Center
 - Board of Directors
- Mercy Medical Center Foundation
 - Board of Directors
- Jared and Carol Hills Foundation
- Hall-Perrine Foundation
 - Board of Directors
- Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association

- Board of Directors
- American Baptist Churches, U.S.A.
 - Pension Board | The Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board
- Brucemore, Former Board Member
- Methwick, Former Board Member
- American Baptist Homes of the Midwest, Former Board Member
- The Foerstner Foundation, Former Board Member

News & Events

2024

- Darrel Morf Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2025, 8/15/2024
- Darrel Morf Listed in 2024 Great Plains Super Lawyers, 05/29/2024

2023

- Darrel Morf Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2024, 08/17/2023
- Darrel Morf Listed in 2023 Great Plains Super Lawyers, 05/30/23

2022

- Darrel Morf Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2023, 08/19/2022
- Darrel Morf Listed in 2022 Great Plains Super Lawyers, 07/28/22

2021

- Best Lawyers® 2022, 08/19/2021

2020

- Best Lawyers In America Recognizes 37 SPMB Attorneys, 08/20/2020
- 2020 Great Plains Super Lawyers Announced, 07/31/2020