



Richard J.A. Popper

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While no two estates are ever the same, Richard Popper has seen enough trust and estate work over 35-plus years in practice to confidently assert that he can develop a strategy for any situation, even if it might appear completely novel. In matters of business succession, tax planning, inheritance, and a wide range of other family concerns, Richard creates and administers the trusts that form the legal and financial foundation of his clients' estates.

Combining a thorough technical command of the law with a meticulous assessment of each client's unique issues, Richard brings a heightened sensitivity to the needs of families confronting realities that are often deeply personal and sometimes painful.

Practicing in Delaware, a state often in the forefront of new trust and estate law, Richard closely studies each new tool as it becomes available, and regularly applies these tools to his clients' advantage.

Practices

- Asset Protection
- Tax, Trusts and Estates

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (M.L.T.)
- George Washington University Law School (J.D.)
 - with Honors
- Tufts University (B.S., *magna cum laude*)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware
- District of Columbia (inactive)

Court Admissions

- U.S. Tax Court

Distinctions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Trusts and Estates, 1993 - Present

Memberships and Affiliations

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American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, Fellow

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Delaware State Bar Association, Tax Section, Chair, 2001-2002; Estates and Trusts Section, Chair, 1991-1992

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American Bar Association, Tax Section, Real Property, Probate and Trust Sections, Member

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Chairman of the Board of Governors of the American Contract Bridge League (2017-2019)

Publications

March 2, 2018

Popper and Thomas Co-Author, "How the Federal Tax Law Will Impact Delaware"

Delaware Lawyer

March 1, 2011

Tax, Benefits, Trusts & Estates Law Update, Winter 2011

January 29, 2010

Memo to Clients Regarding the Federal Estate Tax for Calendar Year 2010

Events

February 22, 2018

Young Conaway Hosts Tax Seminar, "An Update and Analysis of the New Federal Tax Legislation: What Does It Mean for You and Your Clients?"

May 5, 2016

Selected Topics in Tax, Trusts & Estates, and Employee Benefits Plus Data Protection Issues and Strategies and Valuation of Environmentally Contaminated Properties

March 15, 2016

Richard J.A. Popper to speak at the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel's 2016 Annual Meeting

May 21, 2014

2014 Tax, Trusts and Estates, and Non-Competition Agreements Update

November 15, 2013

"After the Storm, Picking up the Pieces: Healthcare, Portability, and Taxes," Delaware Tax Institute

October 2, 2012

"Civil Unions and Same-Sex Marriage," Panel Discussion, 2012 Delaware Trust Conference

September 19, 2012

"Planning for Same Sex Couples," Delaware Society of Financial Service Professionals Seminar

September 12, 2009

**Popper Speaking at Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel
*Cape May, New Jersey***

April 29, 2009

Delaware Taxation: Basics and Opportunities," Seminar, Taxation Section of the Delaware State Bar Association

Wilmington, Delaware

January 30, 2009

"Making the Most of Retirement Assets" and "Developments Affecting Discharge of Indebtedness and Utilization of NOL," Delaware Tax Institute: Current Developments, Planning Ideas and Hot Topics

Widener University School of Law

News

November 1, 2018

Delaware Today Magazine Recognizes 17 Young Conaway "Top Lawyers"

August 15, 2018

42 Young Conaway Lawyers Recognized by Best Lawyers in America, with 4 Attorneys Further Recognized as Lawyers of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

July 19, 2018

Partners Richard J.A. Popper and Vincent C. Thomas Recognized By Chambers High Net Worth 2018

August 15, 2017

41 Young Conaway Attorneys Named in The Best Lawyers In America and Three Attorneys Receive Additional Specialty Recognition as Lawyer of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

November 1, 2016

Fifteen Young Conaway Lawyers Named "Top Lawyers" by Delaware Today Magazine; Six Attorneys Received Top Votes in Practice Area

June 23, 2016

Partners Richard J.A. Popper and Vincent C. Thomas Recognized By Chambers High Net Worth 2016

November 2, 2015

Delaware Today Announces 2015 Top Lawyers

August 17, 2015

36 Young Conaway Attorneys Named In 2016 Best Lawyers in America

October 28, 2013

Nine Young Conaway Lawyers Chosen As "Top Lawyers" By Delaware Today Magazine

August 16, 2013

36 Young Conaway Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2014

October 31, 2012

Delaware Today Names 14 YCST as "Top Lawyers" – The Most of Any Firm!

September 16, 2011

Young Conaway Attorneys Honored in The Best Lawyers in America® 2012