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OVERVIEW

Chad Yoder is a member in the firm's Business, Real Estate, and Estate Planning practice groups. He has assisted clients in numerous acquisitions and sales of business interests and advised clients in the smooth transition of their businesses to the next generation both during life and in their estate plans. Chad provides a focus on minimizing tax exposure and streamlining administration in all transactions and planning. He is also a licensed title agent and handles many real estate matters including residential and commercial title transactions, mortgages, construction financing, land use, land development, and mechanic's lien issues.

Prior to joining Critchfield, Chad worked for building products manufacturer ProVia, LLC, and managed their compliance and regulatory affairs including OSHA compliance and EPA permitting matters.

Chad also served on active duty in the United States Marine Corps from 1995-1999.

EDUCATION

University of Akron School of Law, J.D.

Malone University, B.A., Management

Kent State University Tuscarawas, AAB

ADMISSIONS

Ohio

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

PRACTICE AREAS

CORPORATE AND BUSINESS

COMPANY FORMATION AND
BUSINESS PLANNING
CORPORATE GOVERNANCE
LIQUOR PERMITS, TRANSFERS AND
COMPLIANCE

ELDER LAW

LONG-TERM CARE ASSET
PROTECTION
SPECIAL NEEDS PLANNING

EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR

OSHA
REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

ESTATE PLANNING, PROBATE, AND TRUST ADMINISTRATION

BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING
CHARITABLE PLANNING
GUARDIANSHIPS
PRE-NUPTIAL AGREEMENTS
SOPHISTICATED ESTATE PLANNING

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

REAL ESTATE

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT
REAL ESTATE FINANCE
TITLE INSURANCE, ESCROW AND
CLOSING
TAX PLANNING, ZONING AND
INCENTIVES
PURCHASE, SALE AND LEASING

CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Ohio Title Insurance Agent

OIL, GAS AND OTHER MINERAL
RIGHTS

EXPERIENCE

- Represented private lender in a \$19 million conversion of debt to an equity interest in a hospitality business.
- Assisted local business in a \$13.2 million dollar asset sale to private equity company.
- Assisted both buyers and sellers in numerous residential and commercial real estate transactions including the issuance of title insurance.

RECOGNITIONS

- Noted for Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, and Trusts and Estates in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch (2021 – 2024)

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Holmes County Bar Association

IN THE COMMUNITY

- Holmes County Law Library, Board of Trustees (2014-Current)
- Holmes County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Trustee (2016-Current)
- American Legion Post 494, Sugarcreek, Ohio (2004-Current)
 - Past Finance Officer
- Leadership Holmes County, Class of 2016
- The Holmes County Volunteer Guardianship Program Board (2015-Current)
- Malone University Estate Planning Advisory Council (2017-Current)
- Holmes County Public Library, Board of Trustees (2014-2019)
- Heartland, Stark & Muskingum Lakes Chapter of the American Red Cross, Board Member (2017-2021)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Business Succession Planning, Holmes County Human Resources Council (2023)
- OSHA Informal Conferences and Civil Penalty Reduction Factors, Holmes County Chamber of Commerce / Holmes Area Safety Council (2019)