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OVERVIEW

Matthew Long is Chair of the firm’s Real Estate Department and focuses his practice on commercial real estate development and leasing, family business succession planning, private family trust company formation and governance, construction law, and corporate law. He advises clients with nationwide real estate and investment portfolios, construction businesses, and institutional property owners operating campuses and multi-office facilities.

In addition to his legal practice, Matt serves as a Director of Apple Creek Banking Company and has chaired and served as a director of numerous nonprofit, corporate, and private family trust companies. His board experience includes oversight of governance, risk management, audit, and compliance in regulated and capital-intensive industries.

Matt is a sixth-generation Wooster resident, where he resides with his wife, Lynette, and their son, Henry.

EDUCATION

University of Dayton School of Law, J.D.

The College of Wooster, B.A.

ADMISSIONS

Ohio

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

PRACTICE AREAS

CONSTRUCTION

CORPORATE AND BUSINESS

- COMPANY FORMATION AND BUSINESS PLANNING
- CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

ESTATE PLANNING, PROBATE, AND TRUST ADMINISTRATION

- BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING
- FAMILY AND PRIVATE TRUST COMPANIES

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

NON-PROFITS

REAL ESTATE

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

RECOGNITIONS

- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Corporate Governance Law and Corporate Law (2026)
- Jack O'Donnell Award for Community Service, Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce (2022)
- Outstanding Alumni Award, The College of Wooster (2010)

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Wayne County Bar Association

IN THE COMMUNITY

- Apple Creek Banking Company, Director
- The Village Network, Past Board Chair
- Great Decisions of Wayne County, Inc., Vice President
- Montessori School of Wooster, Past Board Chair
- Wooster Rotary Club, Past President
- Main Street – Wooster, Past Chair
- Wayne Center for the Arts, Past President

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Opportunity Knocks: An Overview of Opportunity Zones and Potential Local Impact, Orrville Area Chamber of Commerce and Orrville Development Foundation (2019)