



# TED A. KOESTER

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### PRACTICE AREAS

- Tax & Estate Planning
  - Tax Planning
  - Decedent Estates
  - Institutional Trustee & Fiduciary Representation
  - Asset Protection
  - Succession Planning
  - Trust Administration
  - Marital Agreements
  - Guardianships

### RECOGNITION

- AV Preeminent™ Peer Review Rating (Martindale Hubbell)

### BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Illinois, State of Wisconsin

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Illinois Bar Association
  - Trust & Estates Section
- Chicago Bar Association
  - Trust Law Committee Member
  - Probate Committee Member
  - Speaker
- Chicago Estate Planning Council
  - Annual Outing Committee
  - Networking Committee
  - Board Member, June 2013 - present
- Seton Hall Alumni Association
  - Chicago Chapter Board Member & President
- National Business Institute Speaker

Ted A. Koester has served as a trusted legal adviser to business owners, entrepreneurs, wealthy individuals and families for over 20 years. His primary focus areas are business and corporate services, tax and estate planning, asset management, trust and estate administration, and probate. Ted provides personalized recommendations for a wide range of estate preservation strategies and risk management solutions, and is relentless when it comes to finding ways to make the tax laws work advantageously for his clients.

Ted takes a pragmatic and preventative approach to developing comprehensive and cost-efficient solutions to manage risk and protect against loss. He has extensive experience developing and implementing plans that protect his clients' wealth and assets from potential creditors, provide for the clients and their loved ones, plan for the future of their businesses, and avoid unnecessary taxes, administration and legal fees. For corporate and individual clients embroiled in estate and trust administration matters, Ted has represented both fiduciaries and beneficiaries through numerous probate and non-probate proceedings. He understands the concerns these clients have, presents the legal issues in understandable terms, and strives to settle estates efficiently.

Clients compliment Ted for his honesty, compassion and ability to simplify complex matters. He is revered for serving as a calming force for clients caught in an emotional storm. Judges have commented on Ted's thoroughness, high level of integrity and steadfast commitment to his clients and the law. He credits his Midwestern roots, having grown up in a working-class family in rural Illinois as one of eight children. Now with two children of his own, Ted enjoys family time in the suburbs.