



## Hugh J. Hayes

Attorney

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### Service Areas:

- Business
- Construction
- Divorce & Family Law
- Real Estate, Land Use & Construction
- Trusts & Estates

### Education:

- J.D., University of Wisconsin Law School
- B.S., Georgetown University

### Admissions:

- Wisconsin

Avoiding legal problems if possible and solving them when necessary are Hugh's core goals in representing his clients.

Hugh's representation of clients in family law matters is greatly enhanced by his breadth of experience in other areas of law such as business and business transactions; real estate; and estate planning. He has successfully represented clients in complex family law matters, including child custody and placement disputes; valuation and division of closely-held businesses; and income analysis of self-employed entrepreneurs. He is experienced in representing clients in varied approaches to resolving family law disputes, including collaborative divorce, mediation, arbitration and litigation.

In addition to Family Law matters, Hugh represents clients in residential and commercial real estate transactions, business formations and counseling, estate planning and probate proceedings.

He represents individuals as well as owners of businesses, including agricultural, construction, manufacturing and real estate development. Hugh has worked with clients on the valuation of assets and calculation of income in varied businesses.

In the area of family law Hugh has assisted clients with divorce, collaborative divorce, child custody, placement and support, adoption, prenuptial and post-nuptial agreements, financial and business matters in divorce, domestic partnerships and non-traditional families, and elder law.

## **Affiliations**

- Dane County Bar Association
- State Bar of Wisconsin – Elder Law Section
- State Bar of Wisconsin – Family Law Section
- State Bar of Wisconsin – Property Probate & Trusts Law Section
- United States Army Veteran

## **Articles & Presentations**

“Determining Business Income and Valuation at Divorce” – State Bar of Wisconsin Seminar 2010

## **Awards & Recognitions**

- AV® Rated, Martindale Hubbell
- Best Lawyers® – Best Lawyers in America: Family Law (Since 2011)

## **Service Areas Subspecialties**

- Family Law
  - Adoption
  - Child Custody, Placement & Support
  - Collaborative Divorce
  - Divorce
  - Domestic Partnerships and Non-Traditional Families
  - Elder Law
  - Financial and Business Matters in Divorce
  - Prenuptial and Postnuptial Agreements
- Trusts & Estates
  - Estate Planning
  - Probate
  - Trust Administration