

# David M. Knutson

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## Overview

Dave's practice incorporates a wide range of business and personal law, with a focus on tax planning.

Dave counsels clients on business formation and operations, reorganizations, mergers, acquisitions and sales of professional service entities, as well as estate tax planning. As one of the few attorneys in the Spokane area specializing in probate law, he assists clients with the administration of probates and trusts, TEDRA agreements, and handles complex 1031 exchanges. Additionally, he advises clients in the creation and qualification of nonprofit corporations and counsels corporate boards on governance and operational issues.

## Areas of Focus

- [Tax](#)
- [Business](#)
- [Real Estate, Land Use & Environmental](#)
- [Mergers & Acquisitions](#)
- [Trusts, Estates & Charitable Organizations](#)

## Admissions

Washington, 1994

## Education

- LL.M., Taxation, Georgetown University Law Center (*with distinction*), 1996
- J.D., Gonzaga University School of Law (*cum laude*), 1994
- B.A., University of Washington, Mathematics, 1990

## Honors & Recognitions

- Martindale-Hubbell, highest peer review rating of AV Preeminent.

## Professional Activities

- Gonzaga University School of Law, Adjunct Professor
- Spokane Area Business Foundation, General Counsel

## Community Activities

- Boys & Girls Club of Spokane County, Board and Executive Committee Member
- Catholic Charities Housing Board
- Catholic Foundation, Finance Committee
- St. Joseph's Parish, Pastoral Counsel
- The Rypien Foundation, General Counsel

## News & Insights

### Blog Posts

[One Big Beautiful Bill Act, H.R. 1 - 119th Congress \(2025-2026\): Part II - Estate and Gift Tax](#)

[07.10.25](#)

### News

[Foster Garvey Deepens Real Estate Practice with Addition of David M. Knutson in Spokane](#)

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