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William R. Asp is a co-chair of Best & Flanagan's Private Wealth Planning section. His practice includes estate planning, estate administration, trust administration and estate and trust litigation for a wide range of clients including both individuals and families. Bill is a frequent speaker on various estate planning topics, a co-author of the Minnesota CLE Estate Administration Deskbook, and has been selected to the Minnesota Rising Stars list, Minnesota Super Lawyers list, and *Minnesota Monthly's* Top Lawyers in Minnesota list.

Bill is active in the community, and has served as a board member and advisory board member of Reach Out and Read Minnesota, Inc., a nonprofit organization that prepares America's youngest children to succeed in school by partnering with doctors to prescribe books and encourage families to read together. Bill is also a member of the St. John's University Planned Giving Committee.

Prior to joining Best & Flanagan, Bill was a law clerk for the Legislation Committee of the Probate & Trust Law Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association.

Areas of Practice

Private Wealth Planning
Estates, Trusts & Fiduciary Litigation
Family & Closely-Held Business Planning
Litigation
Family Law

Education

J.D., William Mitchell College of Law, *magna cum laude*
B.A., St. John's University

Admissions

State of Minnesota
U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
U.S. Tax Court

Firm News/Articles

- 2025 Edition of Best Law Firms® Includes 16 Best & Flanagan Practice Areas
- Twenty-One Best & Flanagan Attorneys Included in The Best Lawyers in America® 2025 Edition

BEST & FLANAGAN

- › Twenty Best & Flanagan Attorneys Recognized as 2024 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- › Bill Asp Featured in Minnesota CLE Webcast Series
- › Nineteen Best & Flanagan Attorneys Recognized as 2023 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- › June CLE Sessions Feature Five Best & Flanagan Attorneys
- › Trust & Estate Litigation Seminars Feature Best & Flanagan Speakers
- › Fifteen Best & Flanagan Attorneys Recognized as 2022 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- › Best & Flanagan Attorneys Recognized as 2021 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- › 2021 Probate and Trust Law Section Conference Features Several Best & Flanagan Attorneys
- › Twenty Best & Flanagan Attorneys Recognized as 2020 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- › Estate Planning during the Coronavirus Pandemic
- › Five Best & Flanagan Attorneys Named to 2019 Rising Stars List
- › Six Best & Flanagan Attorneys Named to 2018 Rising Stars List
- › Three Best & Flanagan Attorneys Named to 2017 Rising Stars List
- › Bill Asp Participates on Probate Panel
- › Five Best & Flanagan Attorneys Named to 2016 Rising Stars List
- › Best & Flanagan Announces New Partner

Professional Associations

- › Minnesota State Bar Association
- › Hennepin County Bar Association
- › American Bar Association

Community Associations

- › St. John's University Planned Giving Committee, 2023-present
- › Reach Out and Read Minnesota, Advisory Board Member, 2019-present
- › Reach Out and Read Minnesota, Board Member, 2011-2018

Awards & Recognition

- › *The Best Lawyers in America®*, 2025
 - › Trusts and Estates Litigation
- › Honoree, Minnesota Super Lawyers, 2023-present
- › Top Lawyers in Minnesota, *Minnesota Monthly*, 2022-present
 - › Trusts and Estates
- › Honoree, Minnesota Rising Stars, 2012-2022



After Hours

I enjoy being outdoors with my family, especially while fishing, camping or at the cabin.