



# Leslie E. Grodd

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## PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate
Corporate & Business Transactions
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Labor & Employment
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Leslie Grodd is a seasoned tax attorney representing high-net-worth-individuals in tax and estate planning, and probate matters. He also handles real estate and business transactions such as commercial and residential property closings, creating optimal corporate structures for new companies, selling, and acquiring companies, and purchasing investments. In addition to managing transactions, he counsels and helps his clients navigate potential tax and estate planning consequences.

Les has had a storied 45-year legal career, in which he has experienced countless situations that required creative, customized solutions that protect his clients personal and generational wealth and comply with local and federal tax laws. He leverages his years of experience and his network of the country's most successful tax attorneys, who meet regularly to share ideas and best practices, to address complex tax matters, changes in tax law, and related concerns.

Most important to Les is protecting his clients' interests and ensuring they understand the tax and/or estate plan put in place. No matter how complex the structure, he explains the details and the rationale behind them in a vernacular that any lay person can easily understand.

While Les has made a name for himself in Fairfield County, his reputation for innovative problem solving and 24 hour-seven day a week client service, extends well beyond Connecticut thanks to positive endorsements and referrals from clients, CPAs, and other lawyers. He also has held high-ranking positions with the American Bar Association Tax Section, of which he is still a member, and continues to be involved with the Connecticut Bar Association, American College of Tax Counsel, the American Institute, and the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants.

While having a successful 45-year career is an accomplishment in and of itself, Les's peers have memorialized his achievements by supporting his inclusion in the legal industries most coveted honors including an AV Preeminent® Rating by Martindale-Hubbell, Best Lawyers in America in the area of Tax Law, and Connecticut Super Lawyers in the areas of Tax, Estate Planning, Probate and Closely Held Businesses. Les is a frequent guest speaker at tax seminars sponsored by legal and accounting associations.

### **EDUCATION**

University of Vermont, AB, 1966 St. John's University School of Law, JD, 1969 New York University, MBA, 1971

#### AWARDS

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### ADMISSIONS

Connecticut
District of Columbia
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