Andrew L. McKay

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Private Wealth

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Andrew McKay concentrates his practice on the planning and administration of trusts and estates, particularly for individuals and families.

Helping one generation to ensure the future of the next

Andrew has drafted a wide variety of estate planning documents to help individuals and families implement the transfer of personal wealth, the succession of businesses and the fulfillment of charitable goals. He has handled all aspects of trust and estate administration, including filing estate and gift tax returns and filing probate petitions.

During law school, Andrew was a senior editor for the *Journal of International Law & Business*. He also participated in the Children and Family Justice Center legal clinic and served as an extern for the Honorable Joan H. Lefkow of the US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Ones to Watch
    - Trusts and Estates, 2023–2026

News

- Katten's Rising Leaders Named to 2026 *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® List (August 21, 2025)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized as *Best Lawyers*® and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® Award Recipients (August 15, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished by *Best Lawyers*® (August 17, 2023)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers*® (August 18, 2022)
- *Law360* Celebrates Katten's New Partner Class (February 8, 2021)
- Katten Announces New Partner Class (October 30, 2020)

Practices

- Business Succession Planning
- Charitable Planning, Philanthropy and Nonprofit Organizations
- Private Wealth

Industries

- Private Client Services

Education

- JD, Northwestern University School of Law
- BA, The University of Chicago, *with honors*

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Community Involvements

- The Chicago Bar Association, Trust Law Committee, Executive Committee

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Publications

- 2025 – 2026 Planning Priorities (November 19, 2025)
- The One Big Beautiful Bill Act: Key Year-End Tax Changes for Private Wealth Clients (November 19, 2025)
- Select Updates Impacting Family Business Owners (November 19, 2025)
- Planning Considerations for the Rest of 2025 and Into 2026 (November 19, 2025)
- Select Federal Caselaw Updates (November 19, 2025)
- State of the States (November 19, 2025)
- Relevant International Updates (November 19, 2025)
- 2024 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 26, 2024)
- 2023 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2023)
- 2022 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 17, 2022)
- 2021 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 22, 2021)
- Proposed Tax Legislation Would Dramatically Impact Private Wealth Planning (September 24, 2021)
- 2021 Biden Plan Estate Planning Advisory (January 15, 2021)
- 2020 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 24, 2020)
- 2019 Year-End Private Wealth Advisory (November 25, 2019)
- Katten Team Publishes 2018 Year-End Estate Planning Series (December 4–7, 2018)
- 2018 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 19, 2018)
- The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: Gift, Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax Reform (February 28, 2018)
- Stranger in a Strange Land: Foreign and Domestic Community Property (January 26, 2018)
- 2017 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2017)
- 2016 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 21, 2016)
- 2015 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 23, 2015)
- Eight Key Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from the Supreme Court's Decision on Same-Sex Marriage (June 29, 2015)
- 2014 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 26, 2014)

- 2013 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 2013)
- Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from Recent Revenue Ruling Concerning Marriages of Same-Sex Couples (September 3, 2013)
- Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from Recent Landmark Supreme Court Decisions Concerning Marriages of Same-Sex Couples (June 28, 2013)
- Estate Planning After the Fiscal Cliff Deal (January 16, 2013)
- 2012 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2012)

Presentations and Events

- 2025 Private Wealth Seminar – Chicago (October 30, 2025) | *Moderator* | *Practical Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Estate Planning*
- 2024 Private Wealth and Fiduciary Seminar Chicago (October 30, 2024) | *Speaker*
- Annual Katten Private Wealth & Fiduciary Seminar (October 11, 2023)
- Annual Katten Private Wealth and Fiduciary Seminar (September 22, 2022)
- Katten Virtual Private Wealth Seminar (October 14, 2020) | *Speaker* | *Advising UHNW Families During a Period of Seismic Changes*
- Katten Private Wealth Fiduciary Seminar (October 15, 2019) | *Speaker*
- The Chicago Bar Association (June 11, 2018) | *Presenter* | *Technology and Security Issues in Estate Planning*
- The Chicago Bar Association (October 14, 2013) | *Presenter* | *Planning for Same-Sex Couples in Light of Windsor and Perry*