

Ann Stephens joined Sandberg Phoenix in 2018 as counsel. She represents business owners and individuals in a variety of legal matters relating to general business and tax including acquisitions and mergers, contract drafting and negotiations, financing, real estate, choice of entity issues and tax planning. She acts as general outside counsel to various businesses, providing advice on specific issues and managing their general legal matters. Her clients include businesses involved in many industries including manufacturers, fabricators, distributors, construction and service.



Ann also advises individuals and business owners in areas of estate and gift tax planning including drafting of power of attorneys, wills and trusts.

She realizes that often times business owners are in need of legal advice regarding business succession planning and their estate plans. Conversely, many individuals in need of estate plan advice also operate their own business or real estate investments. Ann's experience in business and estate planning makes her uniquely qualified to assist those individuals and business owners in all facets of their business and estate plan needs.

Ann has received the AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating™ on Martindale Hubbell®, which is given by attorneys who have interacted with her during her legal career

In her free time, Ann enjoys spending time with her husband and three children.

Background

Ann earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Quincy College. She went on to earn her Juris Doctor from Saint Louis University School of Law. Ann has also earned her LL.M. in Taxation, with honors receiving the Gary I. Boren Memorial Prize (highest GPA).

She is licensed to practice in the state of Missouri and before the U.S. Tax Court.

She is a member of the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, the Missouri Bar Association and the American Bar Association, as well as a member of the Estate Planning Council of St. Louis.

Ann previously served as a member of the Saint Louis University Bequest and Gift Council (2008 – 2014) and was a past president and served on the board of directors for the Child Day Care Association (1996 – 2010).

Pro Bono

St. Roch School- volunteer, 2000 – Present

St. Louis University High School, Mother Admissions Ambassador - class representative,
2012 – Present

Girl Scout Leader, Troop 1870, 2011 – Present

Wishing Well Foundation of St. Louis, 1997 - 2003