

Richard C. Vaughan

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Location

505 South Flagler Drive
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Education

LL.M., Estate Planning, University of Miami
School of Law

J.D., University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys
School of Law

MBA, University of Memphis Fogelman College
of Business and Economics

B.S., University of South Carolina

Admissions

The Florida Bar
State Bar of Texas
Tennessee Bar Association
Arkansas Bar Association



Richard Vaughan is a member of Jones Foster's **Private Wealth, Wills, Trusts & Estates** and **Corporate & Tax** teams and concentrates his practice in estate planning, trust and estate administration, business planning, and transactional corporate law.

Richard develops comprehensive estate plans for individuals and families to efficiently preserve their assets, including the use of revocable and irrevocable trusts, and handles all aspects of estate and trust administration from probate matters to estate and gift tax return preparation. He also assists clients with structuring and maintaining tax exempt organizations and charitable gift planning.

Richard is experienced in creating and maintaining corporate structures within the context of a client's estate plan, including drafting operating agreements, buy-sell agreements, entity restructuring, and related agreements among shareholders and partners. He provides personalized solutions to meet his clients' business succession goals.

An active member of The Florida Bar Tax Section, Richard was selected to participate in its prestigious Fellowship Program, a three-year leadership initiative designed to encourage active participation and long-term engagement in section work. He also serves on the Transfer Tax Subcommittee of the Section's Washington D.C. Committee, where he co-authored peer-reviewed White Papers—proposals for legislative and regulatory reform—submitted to and presented before federal agencies and congressional delegations. Richard serves on the Philanthropic Advisory Council (PAC) of the Community Foundation of Palm Beach and Martin Counties and is an active member of the Palm Beach County Estate Planning Council.

Richard graduated from the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law and went on to earn his Master of Laws degree (LL.M.) in Estate Planning from the Heckerling Graduate Program at the University of Miami School of Law. He also holds an MBA from the University of Memphis Fogelman College of Business and Economics. During his law school studies, Richard gained valuable experience with the University of Memphis Office of Legal Counsel and University of Memphis Athletic Department, and was recognized with a CALI Award in Trial Advocacy as well as the Excellence in Trial Advocacy Scholarship.

Affiliations

The Florida Bar

Member, Tax Section, 2024-Present

- Fellow, Class of 2028
- Member, New Tax Lawyers Committee, 2025-Present
- Member, Washington D.C. Committee, 2024-Present
- Member, Transfer Tax Subcommittee of the Washington D.C. Committee, 2024-Present

Member, Real Property Probate and Trust Law Section, 2024-Present

Member, Young Lawyers Division, 2024-Present

Member, 2021

Palm Beach County Bar Association

Member, 2024-Present

Young Lawyers Section, 2024-Present

Palm Beach County Estate Planning Council

Member, Supplement Committee, 2025-Present

Member, 2024-Present

Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties

Member, Philanthropic Advisory Council, 2025-Present