

James P. Dean

Jim Dean, Co-Chairman of the Estate Planning Practice Group, has extensive experience in estate planning and administration as well as corporate and business law, particularly business transactions, mergers, and acquisitions.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Assisted an automotive parts manufacturer in the formation and capitalization of a joint venture limited liability company that manufactures specialty chemicals for the foundry and automotive industries.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Named Michigan "Super Lawyer" by Law & Politics® for Estate Planning and Probate (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
- Listed as one of the "Top Lawyers in 2010" by business Business Journal
- AV-rated, Martindale Hubbell Law Directory. For over 100 years, Martindale Hubbell has published peer review ratings for attorneys. An AV rating is a combination of the Legal Ability Rating ("A" from very high to preeminent) and the General Ethical Standards Rating ("V" very high).

MILITARY SERVICE

- 1st Lieutenant U.S. Army, 1968-1971; Vietnam Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Bronze Star

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

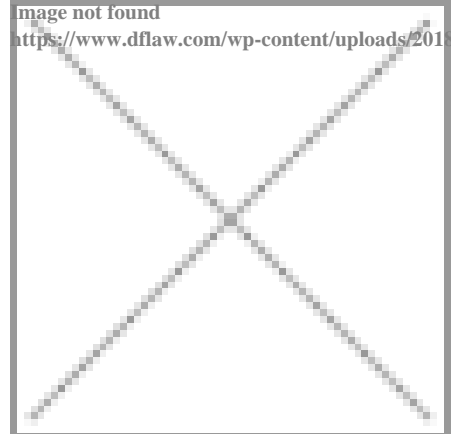
- Avid tennis player

EDUCATION

- Harvard University, A.B.
- University of Michigan Law School, J.D.
- Wayne State University, LL.M. (Taxation)

BAR ADMISSIONS

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- Michigan

COURT ADMISSIONS

- All Michigan courts
- United States Tax Court

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

- U.S. Army

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- State Bar of Michigan (Business Law and Probate and Estate Planning Sections)
- American Bar Association (Probate and Trust Law and the Corporate, Finance and Business Law Sections)

ARTICLES

- [Is It Time For An Estate Planning Checkup?](#)
- [Saving for College Can Be an Estate Planning Tool](#)
- [Take the Time to Update your Will](#)

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law
- Estate Planning