## Angela G. Bechtel

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#### **PARTNER**

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# Angie focuses on trusts, estates and fiduciary-related litigation.

Angie has experience representing individuals and businesses in a variety of complex commercial litigation matters in both federal and state courts in Missouri, Kansas and other states, including California, Texas, Arizona, Illinois, Pennsylvania and New York.

She has maintained actions to construe and modify/reform trusts; defended corporate fiduciaries against claims of fraud, negligence and breach of fiduciary duty; and investigated fiduciary misconduct. In the realm of general business litigation, she has resolved disputes involving business torts, breach of contract and professional negligence through mediation, litigation and arbitration.

## **EXPERIENCE**

# Trusts, Estates and Fiduciary-Related Litigation Experience

Defended a national bank in federal court action against \$40 million in breach of fiduciary duty and related claims involving trust administration.

Defended multiple regional and national banks in Missouri and Kansas state courts against multimillion dollar breach of fiduciary duty and related claims involving trust administration.

#### **PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES**

**Business Litigation** 

Estate & Trust Litigation

Legal Ethics & Professional Responsibility

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Missouri, 2004

Kansas, 2005

U.S Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, 2013

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, 2017

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri, 2004

U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas, 2005

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, 2010

## **EDUCATION**

University of Iowa, J.D., with highest distinction, 2004

- Iowa Law Review, Student Writer
- Order of the Coif

Wayne State College, B.S., Political Science,



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Modified, terminated and reformed trusts through judicial and non-judicial means in Missouri, Kansas and Arizona.

summa cum laude, 2001

Petitioned courts for instructions and trust construction.

Defended trust estates against creditor claims.

### **RECOGNITIONS**

Named to the 2018 - 2020 "40 & Under Hot List" by *Benchmark Litigation* 

#### **PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

The Missouri Bar

Kansas Bar Association

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association

Debate-Kansas City

• Board of Directors, 2012-2014

Great Plains SPCA

• Fundraising Leadership Committee, 2013-2014

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2023 Estate Planning & Fiduciary Litigation- St. Louis The Ritz - Carlton 100 Carondelet Plaza St. Louis, MO 63105, 09.07.2023

2023 Business Law Update 03.02.2023

Estate Planning and Fiduciary Litigation Seminar - St. Louis 09.28.2022

Estate Planning and Fiduciary Litigation Seminar - Minneapolis Stinson, LLP, 09.21.2022



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Estate Planning & Fiduciary Litigation Seminar - Kansas City Stinson LLP, 09.13.2022

Business Law Update 03.03.2022

Ethics Issues for In-House Counsel 12.14.2021

