

Turney P. Berry

Turney P. Berry concentrates his practice in the areas of estate planning, fiduciary matters, and charitable planning. Mr. Berry is the leader of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs' Trusts, Estates & Personal Planning Service Team and a past member of the firm's Executive Committee.

Mr. Berry is active in the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), and has served as President of the ACTEC Foundation, Regent of the College, State Chair for Kentucky, Chair of the Estate & Gift Committee, the Charitable and Tax Exempt Committee, and State Laws Committee. Currently he serves as Chair of the Amicus Review Committee, and is a member of the Membership Selection Committee.

As a Uniform Law Commissioner appointed by Kentucky, Mr. Berry serves as Chair of the Committee revising the Transfers to Minors Act and Vice-Chair of the Drafting Committee on Conflicts of Laws in Trusts and Estates. He chaired drafting committees for the Uniform Fiduciary Income and Principal Act (UFIPA) and the Uniform Power of Appointment Act, Vice Chair of the Drafting Committee on Electronic Wills, Co-Chair of the Drafting Committee on Cohabitants' Economic Remedies Act, and as a member of the drafting committees for the Directed Trust Act, the Revised Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act, the Trust Decanting Act, the Insurable Interests in Trusts Act, the Premarital and Marital Agreements Act, the Transfer on Death Deeds Act, the Revised Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act, and the Uniform Probate Code Artificial Reproductive Technology provisions.

Mr. Berry is a Member of the Joint Editorial Board for Uniform Trust and Estate Acts, an elected Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel, a elected member of the American Law Institute and of of The International Academy of Estate and Trust Law. He serves as a member of the Advisory Council of the [Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning](#), a Member of the Advisory Board of [Trusts and Estates Monthly](#), and a member of the Bloomberg BNA Tax Advisory Board (Estates, Gifts, and Trusts). He serves as Adjunct Professor at the University of Miami Estate Planning LLM Program (teaching Business Succession Planning), and has served as Adjunct Professor at Vanderbilt University, the University of Missouri, and the University of Louisville, and regularly speaks at the nation's leading estate planning conferences. Since 1996, Mr. Berry has served as Co-Chair of the Midwest/Midsouth Estate Planning Institute at the University of Kentucky (the longest continuously run CLE event in Kentucky).

Mr. Berry has been certified as an Accredited Estate Planner® (AEP®) by the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils and is a member of its Estate Planning Hall of Fame [Kentucky does not recognize legal specialties]. He is listed in Woodward/White's [The Best Lawyers in America](#)® and in the Kentucky Super Lawyer Magazine in the area of Trusts and Estates.

Mr. Berry is the author or co-author of three Tax Management Portfolios: Estate Tax Deductions - Sections 2053 and 2054; Private Foundations - Self Dealing - Section 4941; and Taxable Expenditures - Section 4945. In addition his frequent articles have appeared in numerous journals and magazines. Mr. Berry received the Texas Bar Foundation Outstanding Law Review Article award for an article he co-authored with Paul Lee titled "Retaining, Sustaining and Obtaining Basis" which was published by the Texas Tech Estate Planning and Community Property Law Journal in January 2015

Mr. Berry has been an Articles Editor of The Tax Lawyer and a past chair of the Louisville Bar Association Probate and Estate Planning Section (1989 Section of the Year). He is a member of the Louisville Estate Planning Council, Kentuckiana Planned Giving Council, and an adjunct member of the American Association of Life Underwriters.

Mr. Berry is Chair of the Center for Interfaith Relations, and Director for the Earth School/Carbon Nation, and the Bluegrass Land Conservancy. He is a member of Louisville Downtown Rotary, and the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. He is a past Chair of the Civilian Review and Accountability Board for Louisville Metro Police Department, a member of the Board of Directors for the Muhammad Ali Center, Kentucky Opera, Actors Theatre, the Filson Historical Society, the Louisville Science Center, among others. He is President of the Daily Walk Sunday School Class at Christ Church United Methodist. Mr. Berry is the recipient of the National Philanthropy Day Baylor Landrum Award and has been recognized as a Distinguished Citizen of Louisville.

A native of Tennessee, Mr. Berry received his B.A. and B.L.S. in 1983 from the University of Memphis and his J.D. in 1986 from Vanderbilt University.