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Daniel focuses his practice on trust and estate administration and planning, asset protection planning, probate and guardianships, business succession planning, commercial transactions and general corporate counsel. Daniel has advised and counseled clients for 25 years, applying his training as a Certified Public Accountant as well.

Daniel's legal, tax and accounting experience brings immense value to a diverse client base in his Estate Planning practice. In Estate Planning, Daniel dispels the myth that advanced planning is only for the wealthy and owners of big business. He strives to meet his client's goals of preserving assets and blessing their loved ones through clear and careful planning. Daniel prepares customized Wills and Trusts, Healthcare Directives, Mental Health Directives, Durable Powers of Attorney, Estate Planning Reviews, Buyer/Successor Planning and Representation, Buy/Sell Agreements and Key-Man Planning.

As both a seasoned attorney and Certified Public Accountant (formerly with a "Big 8" accounting firm), Daniel also counsels business owners and principals in the areas of Business Formation, Business Development, Commercial Transactions and Succession Planning. He designs and implements succession plans to provide a clear plan for key employees and beneficiaries for the transfer or sale of a business upon the death, disability or retirement of an owner. His counsel removes uncertainty regarding future ownership, management, funding and valuation to help facilitate continued success.

Further, Daniel is a member of the firm's Board of Directors and he has an AV Preeminent peer review rating from Martindale-Hubbell.

Practices

Estate Planning & Trusts

- Estate Planning & Administration

Corporate & Business Services

- Mergers, Acquisitions & Divestitures

Education

- University of Oklahoma College of Law (J.D., *with distinction*, 1993) Member, American Indian Law Review
- Oklahoma State University (B.S. in Accounting, 1986)

Admissions

- Oklahoma (1998)
- Georgia (1993)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

Experience

- 2018-Present Hall Estill
- 1998-2018 Newton, O'Connor, Turner & Ketchum
- 1996-1998 Rollins, Inc. Legal Department
- 1993-1996 Webb, Carlock, Copeland, Semler & Stair (Atlanta)

Honors & Awards

- Recipient, The Journal Record 2025 Leadership in Law Award
- Recognized as an Oklahoma Super Lawyer in Trusts & Estates Law
- Recognized as a Best Lawyer in America in Trusts & Estates Law

Community & Professional Involvement

- Board of Directors, John 3:16 Mission, Inc.
- Former Member, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, The Williams Route 66 Marathon
- Member, Oklahoma Bar Association (Estate Planning, Probate and Trusts Sections)
- Member, State Bar of Georgia
- Board of Directors Member, Tulsa Estate Planning Forum
- Member, American Academy of Attorney CPAs