



## About ACTEC

The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) is a nonprofit association of lawyers established in 1949. Its members are elected to the College by demonstrating the highest level of integrity, commitment to the profession, competence and experience as trust and estate counselors.

All ACTEC members have made substantial contributions to the field of trusts and estates law through writing, teaching and bar leadership activities. The members work together in a collegial manner to

- Enhance their ability to provide the most efficient and highest quality services to their clients;
- Develop qualified trust and estate counselors;
- Improve and reform probate, trust and tax laws, procedures, and standards of professional responsibility; and
- Cooperate with bar associations and other organizations with similar missions.

ACTEC members advise clients or teach in one or more of the following areas: planning for the orderly and tax efficient transfer of wealth during life and after death and preparing all related estate planning documents; administering trusts, decedent's estates, guardianships, conservatorships and other family entities; planning for incapacity and elder concerns; planning for employee benefits; Planning charitable gifts and advising exempt organizations; and handling tax controversy and fiduciary litigation.

Membership in ACTEC is by election of the regents of the College. Individual lawyers meeting the criteria for membership are nominated for membership by fellows of the College, and subjected to careful review by both state and national membership selection committees, prior to consideration by the regents of the College. Applications for membership by members of the bar are not accepted by the College.