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William M. Mills is a founding shareholder in the Cleveland law firm of Singerman, Mills, Desberg & Kauntz Co., L.P.A., where he practices primarily in the areas of estate planning, tax law, and closely-held business law and related succession planning.

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**Brief description of your legal issue.**

Prior to founding Singerman, Mills, Desberg & Kauntz, Mr. Mills was a partner in the Cleveland office of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP and Berick, Pearlman & Mills Co., L.P.A.

Mr. Mills has extensive experience in federal, state and local taxation, estate planning, and probate and trust administration, charitable foundations and charitable tax planning, counseling high net worth and/or high income clients as to tax and estate planning strategies, and working with closely-held corporations and medical and other professional corporations, and their owners, on their corporate and succession planning matters.

Mr. Mills is a member of the Cleveland (member, Estate Planning and Probate Section), Ohio State (member, Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law Section) and American (member, Tax Section and Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section) Bar Associations. He is also a member of the Estate Planning Council of Cleveland.

Mr. Mills received his undergraduate degree in 1972 from Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, where he graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa, and earned his J.D. degree in 1975 from Cornell Law School, Ithaca, New York.

### Practice Areas

- [Business Organization and Transactions](#)
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### Bar Admissions

Ohio, 1975

### Education

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- Cleveland Bar Association, Estate Planning and Probate Section, Member
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### Past Employment Positions:

- Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP, Cleveland, Partner
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