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Profile

Charlie brings to Bond a distinguished career as a trusts and estates attorney, joining us after six decades of practice with Putney, Twombly, Hall & Hirson LLP.

Most recently, he was of counsel to that firm and formerly partner and associate, having joined Putney after law school. He concentrates his practice in trusts and estates law, including estate and tax planning; drafting of wills, trusts and related documents; administration, settlement and distribution of estates; and resolution, negotiation or litigation of contested matters.

Charlie continues to advise families, estate and trust beneficiaries, individual and corporate fiduciaries, and charitable organizations. He has frequently served as Guardian ad Litem in the Surrogate's Court.

A frequent lecturer, he has taught law, written extensively, and edited a leading textbook for New York lawyers. He served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of First Lieutenant before commencing the practice of law.

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in:
 - *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Trust and Estates, 1995-2026 (listed for more than 30 years)
 - *Super Lawyers*, Estate Planning and Probate, 2006-2022
- Member, Professional Advisors Council of Calvary Hospital, 2001-2018
- Calvary Hospital Medal Recipient, 2009
- Fellow of The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), Since 1972

Representative Publications

- Charlie has written extensively on professional subjects, and was the lead editor of the multi-volume Harris, *New York Estates: Probate, Administration and Litigation*, Sixth Edition, published by Thomson Reuters; a leading estate practice text for New York State practitioners.
- Lectures before professional and lay audiences on estate and trust-related subjects, and New York Bankers Association schools, New York State Bar

Education

- St. John's University School of Law (J.D. 1959)
- College of the City of New York (B.A. 1953)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York (1959)

Practices

- Trust and Estate

Association and Practicing Law Institute programs.

Other Activities

- Adjunct Professor at Pace Law School, 1989 – 1994, teaching Federal Estate and Gift Taxation