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Overview

Vincent Aiello is a Nevada-based attorney with 27 years of experience representing family offices, private foundations, and high-net-worth individuals in complex fiduciary disputes, dynasty trust litigation, asset management, and wealth preservation matters. He is one of a small number of practitioners in the Mountain West who combines sophisticated trust and estate litigation capabilities with deep transactional experience across the full range of asset classes commonly held by family offices, including commercial mixed-use real property acquisition and development, operating businesses in the hotel and timeshare space. He frequently structures financing arrangements employed by these family offices.

Using Nevada's strong trust law framework to his advantage, Vincent has strategically built a practice around state-specific offerings, including multigenerational dynasty trusts, robust asset protection statutes, directed trust structures, and no state income tax. He regularly advises on the formation, administration, and litigation of probate, trusts, and commercial holdings under Nevada law, including matters arising under NRS Chapters 153 & 163. He helps business owners, family office principals, trust companies, and their advisors use the state's unique legal architecture to protect and transfer generational wealth, and when those structures are attacked, he defends them.

Vincent's client relationships are characteristically face-to-face, long-term, and multidimensional. A family office engagement typically begins with a single matter – whether a fiduciary dispute, trust contest, or business acquisition – and naturally expands to include the full spectrum of issues that complex family enterprises encounter: commercial litigation; real estate acquisition; development; construction disputes; bankruptcy proceedings; and / or business sales, mergers, and acquisitions.

Having owned and operated a multimillion-dollar construction company before entering private practice, Vincent brings an owner's perspective to every engagement, translating legal complexity into business-grounded decisions.

Education

- New England School of Law, 2000 (J.D.)

- University of Colorado, 1995 (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Maryland
- Nevada
- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada
- U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
- U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
- U.S. Tax Court

Distinctions

- *Real Vegas Magazine*, Las Vegas Top Lawyers, 2019
- *MYVEGAS*, Top 100 Lawyers of the Year, 2018

Presentations and Publications

- "[Using Trusts to Hold and Sell Qualified Small Business Stock](#)," *Practical Guidance* (LexisNexis), February 2023
- "[Use IRS Code Section 1202 to Sell Your Multimillion-Dollar Startup Tax-Free](#)," *TechCrunch*, November 2022
- "[Using a Nevada Incomplete Grantor Trust as Part of a Business Exit Strategy](#)," *Advisor Perspectives*, March 2022
- "[Family Trust Companies](#)," *Advisor Perspectives*, March 2022
- "[Asset Protection in an Era of Enforcement](#)," Health Care Compliance Association, December 2022
- "[Preserving and Protecting Assets in Healthcare](#)," First Healthcare Compliance, October 2022

Related Experience

Fiduciary Litigation and Family Office Matters

- Defended and prosecuted civil actions against asset protection trusts and probate proceedings in Nevada and multijurisdictional matters.
- Established and defended trusts and private foundations for family office principals and high-net-worth individuals.
- Advised personal family foundations on governance, wealth management, employment law, and asset protection strategy.
- Successfully defended a software company from a \$20 million stock ownership litigation matter.
- Secured numerous injunctions barring asset sales and halting lockout actions by corporate boards in contested ownership disputes.
- Resolved numerous business partnership disputes and dissolution matters, including businesses ranging in value from \$5–\$500 million.

Commercial and Bankruptcy Litigation

- Conducted jury trials defending against breach of contract claims for real estate developer clients.
- Prosecuted and defended numerous contested and adversarial bankruptcy proceedings under 11 USC 523, including a \$50 million individual Chapter 11 proceeding to force the sale of assets.
- Secured dismissal of involuntary bankruptcy petition filed against factoring client by creditors.
- Handled numerous Chapter 11 adversarial and contested proceedings for creditors and debtors.

Real Estate, Construction, and Transactional Matters

- Successfully negotiated and closed a \$190 million construction and development financing transaction for a hotel and timeshare developer.
- Draft developer operating agreements and structured profits interests for general and limited partners.
- Successfully closed a \$60 million off-balance sheet land banking transaction for a national developer client.
- Handled purchase and sale of multiple businesses ranging in value from \$5–\$500 million.
- Served as lender and developer counsel for acquisition and development of office complexes, timeshare projects, hotels, and multifamily residential projects.
- Represented creditors in multiple Chapter 11 proceedings to recover real estate assets.
- Successfully negotiated and closed purchase and sale agreements and financing documents for land assemblages and commercial shopping center development projects.