

# Terrence A. Merritt

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Terrence Merritt has been in the practice of law since 1977. During that time his common thread of practice has been estate planning. Additionally, he is experienced in probate law, elder law, medical assistance, municipal law, boundary adjustment law, and mediation. He was named a 2014 Super Lawyer for Estate Planning.

A life-long resident of Minnesota, growing up in the southwestern part of the state and attending both college and Law School in Minneapolis, Terrence is active in local events from the Chambers of Commerce, Rotary and his Church. He remains active in sports, including basketball and golf. His other hobbies include travel and photography. He is a past President of the Apple Valley Rotary Club.

### Certified Legal Specialties

- Qualified Neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice

### Education

- University of Minnesota Law School, J.D.
- University of Minnesota, B.S. (Communication Disorders)

### Classes/Seminars

- Estate Planning, Grace Lutheran Church, 2012
- Estate Planning, Augustana Center, 2008
- Presenter, annual Township Legal Seminar, the annual Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association Conference, as well as numerous churches, senior care centers, and civic groups on topics related to estate planning, medical assistance and elder law

### Professional Associations and Memberships

- Minnesota State Bar Association



### AREAS OF PRACTICE

Estate planning & Probate  
Municipal Law  
Dispute Resolution  
Elder Law

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Super Lawyers List, 2014-2015

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Minnesota  
U.S. District Court, District of  
Minnesota  
U.S. Supreme Court

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- Dakota County Bar Association
  - First Judicial District Bar Association

## Community Involvement

- Apple Valley Rotary Club, Past President, Paul Harris Recipient
- Richard T. Oakes American Inn of Court, Charter Member and Master of the Bench
- Church of St. John Neumann, Parish Council Chair, 1999 - 2000
- Minnesota Municipal Board, Executive Director, 1979 - 1995
- Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce, Past Board Member