

## Robert Michael Way



Robert M. Way is a Shareholder and Managing Partner with Mesch Clark Rothschild and practices in the firm's estate planning and estate litigation sections. Robert began his education at Boston University – Tanglewood Institute of Music, then onto the University of San Diego (Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy), and finally Thomas Jefferson School of Law, in San Diego, California, where he received his Juris Doctor degree in 2001. Mr. Way's practice focuses on estate planning, probate and trust administration, guardianship and conservatorship, elder law, corporate representation, and probate and end-of-life litigation. Also, his work occasionally includes Catholic estate planning, where he advises both individuals and clergy on the interaction and integration of canon law and civil law in one's estate plan, and is a regular speaker with EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) in its Legacy Planning division. Robert is licensed in both Arizona and the District of Columbia.

His professional career has included work as a Deputy Yuma County Attorney, (in both the Criminal and Civil Divisions) (2005-2007). Mr. Way worked with The Deason Law Firm (2007-2010) in Yuma, Arizona, which focuses its practice in estate planning and elder law. Also, he was a solo practitioner with The Way Law Firm, P.C., in Tucson from 2010-2013, and later as a partner with Thompson Krone, PLC in Tucson (2013-2019).

Robert has previously volunteered as a Panel Member and Settlement Officer for the Supreme Court of Arizona Disciplinary Court. Currently, Robert has also served as a volunteer Judge *Pro Tem* for the Pima County Superior Court Probate Division. Since 2012, he has served as a member of the Parish Council for St. Melany's Byzantine Catholic Church, and he is a co-founder of the Byzantine Catholic Shrine of Mary Undoer of Knots on Mt. Lemmon in Summerhaven.

His volunteer efforts have made him past President of the Yuma County Bar Association, a founding Board Member of the Yuma Endowment Project, and as the 2011 President of the Arizona Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA). Currently, Robert is the 2025 President of the St. Thomas More Society of Southern Arizona. Finally, Robert currently serves as a board member for the Tucson Jazz Festival.

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**Practice Areas**

- Corporate
- Elder Law Focusing on End-of Life
- Estate Litigation
- Estate Planning
- Guardianship and Conservatorship
- Planning and Medicaid
- Probate
- Trust Administration

**Admissions**

- State Bar of Arizona
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona
- District of Columbia
- US Tax Court
- 9<sup>th</sup> Court of Appeals

**Professional**

- Mesch Clark Rothschild, Shareholder, Tucson, AZ, November 2019 - Present
- Thompson Krone, PLC, Tucson, AZ, January 2013 - October 2019
- The Way Law Firm, P.C., Tucson, AZ, 2010 - December 2012,
- Adjunct Professor of Criminal Justice, Brown Mackie College, Tucson, AZ
- The Deason Law Firm, Yuma, AZ, 2007-2010
- Civil County Attorney, 2005-2007
- Deputy Yuma County Attorney, (Criminal Division)

**Education**

- J.D., Thomas Jefferson School of Law - San Diego, California
- Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy, University of San Diego
- Tanglewood Institute of Music, Boston University

**Organizations**

- Panel Member and Settlement Officer, Supreme Court of Arizona Disciplinary Commission
- Board Member, Fatima Women's Center, Tucson, AZ
- Member, Parish Council for St. Melany's Byzantine Catholic Church
- Past President, Yuma County Bar Association
- Founding Member, Yuma Endowment Project
- 2011 President, Arizona Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA)