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## Kurt D. Van Sciver | Partner

Kurt Van Sciver focuses his practice on trust, estate, and probate litigation. He has served as lead counsel in multiple bench trials before the probate court. He regularly litigates issues such as breach of fiduciary duties, accounting issues, spousal property petitions, and trust ownership of property. Representative clients include trustees, trust beneficiaries, executors, and conservators.

Kurt primarily practices in Kern County. He has written briefs for state and federal appellate courts and he has argued in front of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He began his legal career by clerking for the Honorable Stephen J. Markman of the Michigan Supreme Court and the Honorable Daniel Manion of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Kurt is the former President of the Probate Section of the Kern County Bar Association. He is a co-founder of the local chapter of the Federalist Society.

Kurt lives in Bakersfield with his wife Megan and their four children.

### Practice Focus

Trust, Estate and Probate Litigation

### Bar Admissions

State Bar of California, 2009  
State Bar of Michigan, 2006 (inactive)

U.S. District Courts  
-Eastern District of California, 2009

U.S. Circuit Courts  
-Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2009  
-Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 2008  
-Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2009

### Education

Bachelor of Arts, Thomas Aquinas College, 2002  
Juris Doctor, summa cum laude, Ave Maria School of Law, 2006

### Professional Associations and Leadership

Kern County Bar Association, 2009-present  
-Probate Section President, 2013  
-Probate Section Vice President, 2012  
-Probate Section Treasurer, 2011

### Professional Experience

Klein, DeNatale, Goldner, Cooper, Rosenlieb & Kimball, LLP, 2009-present  
Michigan Supreme Court, Law Clerk to the Honorable Stephen J. Markman, Lansing, MI, 2006-2008  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Law Clerk to the Honorable Daniel A. Manion, South Bend, IN, 2008-2009

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