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Joseph W. Boucher is a founding shareholder of the Madison law firm of Neider & Boucher, S.C. Practicing law since January 1978, Mr. Boucher emphasizes business legal planning for closely held businesses. Since 1980 Mr. Boucher has also been teaching business law at UW-Madison – since 1988 to accounting majors and since 2000 to graduate students, which includes discussing accounting and professional liability.

## EDUCATION

CPA, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1982)  
MBA, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1978)  
D., University of Wisconsin-Madison (1977)  
A., St. Norbert College (1973)

## PRACTICE AREAS

Business Entity Planning & Formation- Early Stage Growing Businesses-Succession Planning

## ADMISSIONS

State of Wisconsin (1978)  
S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin (1978)  
S. Supreme Court (2014)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association Fellows  
Wisconsin Bar Foundation  
American and Wisconsin Institutes of Certified Public Accountants  
The American College of LLC and Partnership Attorneys  
Serves on boards for non-profits as well as for-profit businesses  
Currently a member of a committee revising Wisconsin's LLC statute



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## PUBLICATIONS (*Selected*)

Co-drafter of the original Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 183 for LLCs, the amendments to Chapter 183, the Next Economy Legislation of 2002, and the Wisconsin limited liability partnership law.

Co-author September 2005 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 78, No. 9, *The First LLC Case*, summarizing *Gottsacker Monnier*, 2005 WI 69, 281 Wis.2d 361 (2005), 697 N.W.2d 436, the first Wisconsin case on limited liability companies.

Co-author August 2008 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 81, No. 8, *Shedding Light on Recent Developments Affecting LLCs*.

Co-author December 2010 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 83, No. 12, *E-Legacy: Who Inherits Your Digital Assets?*

Author Drafting LLC and Partnership Agreements, James Publishing, 2011

Co-author July 2013 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 86, No. 6, *101: Choosing a Limited Liability Entity: Which Form is Best for Your Law Firm?*

Co-author Organizing a Wisconsin Business Corporation, December 2014, State Bar of Wisconsin PINNACLE. Co-author January 2018 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 91, No. 1, *Fiduciary Duties of LLC Members and Managers*.

Co-author LLC's and LLP's: A Wisconsin Handbook, June 2018, State Bar of Wisconsin PINNACLE. Co-author October 2019 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 92, No. 9, *Choosing a Limited Liability Entity*.

Co-author October 2019 Wisconsin Lawyer, Vol. 92, No. 9, *Helping a Client Buy or Keep a Home During a Divorce*.

Co-author May/June 2020 On Balance, Vol. 16, No.3: *Advising Clients in Shifting Sea What LLCs Should Be Thinking About*.

## HONORS & AWARDS

Since the early 2000's Mr. Boucher has been named a Wisconsin Super Lawyer and Madison Magazine has consistently named him as one of Madison's leading business attorneys.

Distinguished alumnus, St. Norbert College, 2004

Wisconsin Small Business Advocate, Wisconsin Small Business Administration, 1993 and 2005.

AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell® for many years.

Annual Alumni Appreciation Award, Edgewood High School, August 2009.

Inductee to Sports Hall of Fame, Edgewood High School, 2016.

2010 Charles Dunn Award as the best article *E-Legacy: Who Inherits Your Digital Assets?* (aforementioned).

Leader in the Law, Wisconsin Law Journal in 2015

Best Lawyer in the Madison Area for Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses, August 2016, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

Inductee Entrepreneur's Hall of Fame, Weinert Center of the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Business, May 2017.

Charles L. Goldberg Distinguished Service Award, September 2020.

Career Achievement Award, Wisconsin Institute of CPAs, 2020.

Hall of Fame Member as friend of high school basketball, Wisconsin Basketball Coaches, 2020.