# C. Brantly Buck MEMBER

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Brant has many years of experience advising high net-worth individuals and owners of family businesses in tax planning and estate and succession planning. Families have sought his advice for multiple generations and have seen firsthand effective estate plans implemented. His counsel and judgment are greatly valued.

Brant serves as the professional ethics counsel to the firm. In that role, he advises his firm attorneys on matters of legal ethics and his advice and counsel is highly regarded.



#### **SERVICES**

- Estate Planning
- Taxation

- Tax Controversies
- Wealth Management

### **INDUSTRIES**

- Agriculture
- Banking
- Construction
- Financial Institutions
- Healthcare

- Insurance
- Non-profit and Charitable Organizations
- Real Estate
- Retail
- Timber and Paper

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Arkansas, Juris Doctor (high honors) Managing Editor, Arkansas Law Review Davidson College, Bachelor of Arts

#### HONORS

 Best Lawyers in America - Tax Law; Trusts and Estates 2007-2015

## **EXPERIENCE**

- Through the use of generation-skipping trusts and planning to qualify for installment payment of estate taxes, facilitated the transfer of operating businesses down through two generations without a forced sale or liquidation.
- Successfully overturned on appeal an IRS finding that a widow did not materially participate in farming operations for special use valuation.
- Coordinated the sale of substantial farm and timber holdings held in multiple family trusts to a government conservation agency.
- Drafted and successfully implemented numerous shareholder agreements keeping family business interests in the family.

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

- American Bar Association
- Arkansas Bar Association
- Pulaski Bar Association
- Arkansas Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Trinity Episcopal Cathedral-Usher, former Vestry member, Junior Warden, Stewardship Chair, and Member, Endowment Board