



J. CURTIS BROWN
PARTNER



“The best feeling you can get as an attorney is when you are able to help a client through a hard time. I learned that at an early age.

When I was a teenager my father was badly injured in a work accident. My cousin was a young attorney at the time and helped my father with a claim. My family was very appreciative and grateful for his help during a difficult time. For me, I also saw how good my cousin felt about being there for us—and that shaped my career goals.

Another strong influence in serving my clients has been my competitive nature and the sport of wrestling. I try to approach my cases in a similar fashion I did with my wrestling matches in high school and college. One has to put in a lot of hard work in preparation for a match, and the same thing applies to preparing for trial. Trials, like wrestling matches, are won before you even step foot in the courtroom through rigorous preparation.”

Areas of Practice:

- Criminal Defense
- Personal Injury
- Civil Litigation
- Divorce
- Custody

Career Overview: Curtis was admitted to the Kansas Bar in 2009 and began working as an Associate at Kansas Legal Services in Hays, Kansas, where he gained experience as a trial attorney. Curtis became an Associate of the Glassman, Bird law firm in 2012. Now a Partner, Curtis concentrates his practice primarily in the areas of divorce, child custody, and criminal defense. He also devotes a significant part of his practice to municipal prosecution as the prosecutor for the City of Hays. Curtis takes satisfaction from working to improve the access to justice both as a representative of the bar and as an experienced and well-respected attorney.

In 2014 Curtis was elected President of the Ellis County Bar Association, where he has been a member since 2009. He is also a member of the Kansas Bar Association, American Bar Association, Kansas Association for Justice, American Association for Justice, and the Hays Area Young Professionals. Curtis currently serves on the board of the USD 489 Foundation, where he holds the office of vice president. He also serves on the board of trustees for the Kansas Bar Association Foundation and is a familiar face in Trego, Rooks, and Ellis counties. In 2012 Curtis was awarded the Community Based Ally of the Year by the Kansas Coalition against Sexual and Domestic Violence.

Education: Curtis graduated from the University of Tulsa College of Law in 2008. B.S. in Political Science from the University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2002.

On a Personal Note: Curtis was born and raised in Norton, Kansas. He and his wife Jessica have two daughters. They are active in many community activities and organizations. A championship collegiate wrestler, Curtis regularly volunteers his time as a coach for the Hays Recreation Commission and the Hays Wrestling Club.

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