



## Yuri B. Berndt

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**PRACTICE AREAS:** Business Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, Estate Planning and Wealth Preservation, Professional Liability, Communications

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A business and tax law practitioner for more than 25 years, Yuri offers a pragmatic, dependable, and timely approach to his clients' business transaction and tax matters, from the simple to the complex. Clients rely on his business and tax knowledge to inform the legal and economic facets of their business agreements and contracts.

Yuri's counsel for a wide range of individuals and businesses includes areas such as:

- Negotiation and structuring of business and tax transactions, including acquisitions, mergers, and joint ventures
- Formation, organization, and operation of various entities
- Analysis of federal and state income tax and representation before the Internal Revenue Service and various state tax administrators
- Business succession planning and wealth transfer (whether intra-family-, key employee-, or joint venture-related)
- Deferred compensation plan development, implementation, and maintenance
- Governing and management advice for nonprofit organizations

Yuri provides creative solutions to the challenges faced by limited liability companies and other pass-through entities, and he has structured special allocations and preferred returns for complex business relationships. His representation includes counsel to individuals and businesses on income, sales, and pass-through tax aspects of controversies with federal and state tax authorities.

### Education

William Mitchell College of Law, J.D.; *cum laude*

Gustavus Adolphus College, B.A.; *cum laude*

## Certifications

Certified Public Accountant (inactive) – Minnesota

## Admissions

Minnesota

U.S. Tax Court

## Honors & Recognitions

*The Best Lawyers in America* (2013-present)

## News

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Our Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* for 2024  
08.17.2023

Alert: The Uniform Electronic Wills Act  
*Moss & Barnett Advocate (Spring/Summer 2023 edition)*, 08.15.2023

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Our Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*, and *Best Lawyers "Lawyers of the Year"* for 2023  
*The Best Lawyers in America*, 08.18.2022

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Our Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* for 2022  
*The Best Lawyers in America*, 08.19.2021

Tax Update – When Are Your 2020 Taxes Due?  
03.24.2021

Company Expenses Paid with Forgiven PPP Loan Proceeds Are Tax Deductible  
02.19.2021

Fifteen Moss & Barnett Lawyers Named to 2021 *Best Lawyers*® List  
*The Best Lawyers in America*, 08.20.2020

Federal and Minnesota Individual Income Tax Due Dates for the 2019 Tax Year  
04.01.2020

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Our Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in “The Best Lawyers in America” for 2020

*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.15.2019

Alert: Minnesota Supreme Court Case May Change Taxation of Minnesota Trusts  
08.22.2018

Alert: Attention Businesses with Online Sales  
08.22.2018

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Its Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in “The Best Lawyers in America®” for 2019

08.15.2018

Attention Businesses with Online Sales  
01.17.2018

Tax Planning Alert – Pass through Business Tax Changes  
12.22.2017

Estate Tax Alert – Tax Cuts and Jobs Act  
12.22.2017

Tax Planning Alert – Corporate Tax Changes  
12.22.2017

Tax Planning Alert – Individual Tax Changes  
12.22.2017

Tax Planning Alert – International Tax Changes  
12.22.2017

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Its Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in “The Best Lawyers in America®” for 2018

08.15.2017

Proposed Changes to IRS Regulations May Limit or Eliminate Valuation Discounts for Family-Owned Businesses

09.26.2016

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Its Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in “The Best Lawyers in America®” for 2017

08.15.2016

Moss & Barnett Congratulates Its Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in "The Best Lawyers in America®" for 2015  
08.18.2014

## **Speaking Engagements**

Moss & Barnett is Pleased to be a Platinum Sponsor of Twin Cities Walk for Water Upper Landing Park, 180 Shepard Road, St. Paul, MN, 09.17.2016

## **Publications**

Attention Businesses: FinCEN Wants Your Information  
*Moss & Barnett Advocate (Fall 2023/Winter 2024 edition)*, 02.26.2024

Make Time for Minutes  
*Fall 2016 Firm Newsletter*, 11.15.2016

Estate Planning Alert: Minnesota Gift/Estate Tax  
03.24.2014

A Few New Twists for Business Taxpayers  
*Winter 2011 Firm Newsletter*, 02.01.2011

## **Professional Associations**

American Bar Association

Minnesota State Bar Association

Minnesota State Bar Association Tax Institute Planning Committee (2003-2013)

Minnesota State Bar Association Tax Section – Chair (2006-2007); Treasurer (2005-2006); Secretary (2004-2005); Member, Minnesota State Bar Association Tax Council (2003-2006)

Minnesota State Bar Association Assembly Member (2005-2006)

Hennepin County Bar Association

American Institute for Certified Public Accountants

Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants