



Cheryl L. Borland Of Counsel

Cheryl L. Borland is Of Counsel at Hochscheid Law, LLC and chairs the firm's Corporate Transactions & Compliance and Trusts & Estates practice groups. She serves as counsel for closely-held companies and startups at every stage of their journey, guiding them on contracts, strategic planning, real estate, joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions, and divestitures. Cheryl also helps clients plan exit strategies, including selling their business, while aligning with comprehensive estate planning.

In addition, Cheryl advises diverse-owned businesses on certifications and growth strategies, with a focus on preserving their certification status. Her client base spans industries such as construction, manufacturing, trucking and transportation, distribution and logistics, restaurants and bars, retail, professional services, engineering firms, marketing companies, investment advisory groups, hedge funds, investment capital firms, wholesalers and industrial sales, real estate holding companies, and telecommunications. She also collaborates with entrepreneurial incubators in the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area as a legal advisor.

Background

Cheryl is a seasoned corporate attorney with more than 30 years of experience guiding closely-held businesses through their entire lifecycle. Her practice encompasses:

- Business formations and corporate governance, including compliance, entity selection, and drafting formation documents.
- Certifications for small, minority, and women-owned businesses (e.g., WBE, SBE, MBE, VBE) and strategies to leverage these certifications.
- Mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, and strategic deals, with thorough negotiation and documentation.
- Business succession planning, coordinating estate considerations for owners with single or multiple ventures.

Education

- J.D., Northern Kentucky University, Salmon P. Chase College of Law
- B.S., Northern Kentucky University

Bar Admissions

- Kentucky
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio
- United States Supreme Court

Professional Affiliations and Leadership

- Women's Business Council Ohio River Valley (WBEC-ORV), Board of Directors (2023–present); Speaker and Presenter since 2017; WBEC-East – Presenter for programming and workshops

- Cincinnati Education for Veterans Foundation (CERV), Board of Directors (2021–present)
- Reaching Out for Kids, Inc., Board of Directors (2004–present)
- Advisor, Salmon P. Chase College of Law Center for Entrepreneurship (2021–present)
- Women Business Collaborative, Advisory Council (2021–present)
- Ellevate Network, Cincinnati Chapter, President (2017–present)
- Civitas LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce, Advisor (2019–present)
- Tri-state Association for Corporate Renewal, Director & Treasurer (2008–2016)