



**MELCHERT HUBERT SJODIN**  
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David's many years of experience in financial and project management have afforded him the skills to advise his clients of the multi-faceted decisions of attending to their last wishes and long term care. David is committed to helping his clients understand that the foundation of estate planning is not just about saving money, but also appreciating the value of planning for his clients and their loved ones.

Building long-lasting relationships with his clients is a high priority for David and he prides himself on doing good work for a family and having their children and grandchildren return to the firm year after year.

David is a member of the Probate and Trust Law and Elder Law Sections of the Minnesota State Bar Association and a member of the Minnesota State Bar Association and the Eighth District Bar Association

David works with clients to create an estate plan that works best for their situation and that carries out the clients' wishes, whether that involves establishing health care directives, powers of attorney, beneficiary designations, wills and trusts, or use of other estate planning tools. He also helps family members navigate the probate and trust administration process. In addition, David has experience in real estate transactions, particularly those involved with the estate planning process, preservation of assets for the next generation, and succession planning.

### ***Estate Planning***

- Wills and revocable (living) trusts
- Insurance trusts and other irrevocable trusts
- Family limited partnerships and family limited liability companies
- Prenuptial and postnuptial agreements
- Family cabin succession planning
- Business succession planning and buy/sell Agreements
- Charitable trusts

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#### **Chaska Office**

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### ***Tax Planning***

- Preparation of estate and gift tax returns
- Estate and gift tax planning
- Charitable giving

### ***Probate and Trust Administration***

- Full-service probate and trust administration
- Probate court filings
- Fiduciary and estate tax return preparation
- Representation of beneficiaries, trustees, personal representative, heirs, and creditors in administration
- Trust and Will construction
- Trustee removal and succession matters

### ***Farm Matters***

- Formation of business entities for farm operation and ownership of agricultural assets
- Transferring or selling ownership of agricultural real estate, equipment, and farm assets
- Liquidating farm assets (i.e. selling equipment and livestock, and selling land)
- Renting or leasing agricultural land and equipment

### **Education**

- B.A., Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota
- J.D., University of Minnesota Law School

### **Professional Activities**

- Experience in the insurance industry in claims adjusting, financial analysis and firm management
- Member of the Probate and Trust Law and Elder Law Sections of the Minnesota State Bar Association
- Member of the Minnesota State Bar Association and the Eighth District Bar Association

### **Community Involvement**

- SW Metro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
- Member of Chaska Rotary