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William “Bill” Stewart concentrates his practice on residential and commercial real property transactions and financing, estate planning, probate and trust administration, and the representation of not-for-profit entities. As a Board Certified Specialist in Real Estate Law, Bill brings a high level of expertise to clients navigating real estate and property-related matters. He is also rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell, reflecting the highest standard of professional excellence.

A longtime resident of Vero Beach, Bill is deeply committed to serving his community. He serves on the board of the Indian River Real Property Council and is a member of the Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice Foundation Board. His dedication to charitable initiatives has been recognized with the Pinnacle Award for excellence in charitable giving, as well as multiple Chairman’s Awards from the VNA & Hospice Foundation and VNA of the Treasure Coast.

Recognitions

- VNA of the Treasure Coast Chairman’s Award, 2022, 2024
- VNA & Hospice Foundation’s Chairman’s Award, 2016
- Pinnacle Award, 2013
- Member of Order of the Coif

Community Activities

- Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors
- Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice Foundation, Board of Directors
- Visiting Nurse Association of the Treasure Coast, Board of Directors
- Indian River Real Property Council, Board of Directors

Practices & Industries

Estate & Trust Administration
Estate Planning
Healthcare
Real Estate

Admissions

Florida

Clerkships

US District Court, Southern District of Florida, 1970

Education

University of Florida, J.D., with honors, 1969

The College of William & Mary, A.B., 1964

Professional Certifications & Memberships

- The Florida Bar, Board of Legal Specialization & Education
- Florida Bar Certified Real Estate Lawyer
- Indian River County Bar Association, Past President, 1981
- Indian River Real Property Council, Board of Directors
- American Bar Association, Real Estate Editor of Law Notes, 1976–1980
- Florida Academy of Hospital Attorneys, Past President, 1978–1979
- Executive Editor, University of Florida Law Review, 1968–1969
- Counsel to Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Foundation, Inc.
- United States Army, First Lieutenant, 1965–1966

Publications

Florida Summary Administration: A Faster, Easier Way to Settle an Estate
11.19.2025 | ARTICLE

Florida Homestead Tax Exemption: What Is It? How Do I Get It? How Do I Keep It?
05.05.2025 | ARTICLE