

MARY ESTES HAGGIN

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HONORS & AWARDS

The Best Lawyers in America®, 2013-2027, Real Estate Law

The Best Lawyers in America®, "Lawyer of the Year", 2018 (Real Estate Law)

PRIMARY PRACTICE

Real Estate Law

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Commercial Lending

ADMISSIONS

Kentucky, 1991

EDUCATION

University of Kentucky College of Law, Lexington, Kentucky, J.D., 1991

- Honors: Phi Delta Phi (Magister, Breckinridge Inn, 1990-1991)
- Honors: Member, Moot Court Board

When Mary Estes Haggin started at McBrayer more than twenty five years ago, the practice of law was vastly different. The firm has grown substantially and continues to develop new practice areas and serve more clients and industries. McBrayer has one of the largest real estate practice groups in Kentucky, consisting of an experienced team of attorneys who are equipped to handle any real estate transaction. McBrayer has a strong relationship with the various banks and real estate related entities located throughout Kentucky, and it is a relationship that dates back to when the firm first opened in 1963.

As a real estate lawyer since 1991, Mary has handled virtually every aspect of this area of the law. Her representation includes, as necessary, title examination, title insurance, clearing title issues, preparation of deeds, settlement statements and loan documentation, contract negotiation and preparation, lease negotiation and preparation, survey analysis, and any and all other needs related to residential and commercial real estate matters. She enjoys counseling lenders, buyers, and sellers, as well as landlords and tenants in every aspect of a real estate transaction.

Mary's practice primarily lends itself to representation of lending institutions involved in real estate transactions. She, along with her staff and other members of McBrayer's real estate

University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, B.B.A., 1988

- Honors: With High Distinction
- Major: Finance

department, is committed to staying apprised of changes in the law and within the banking industry that may impact the business decisions lenders make regarding extensions of credit.

The real estate practice encompasses many different aspects of the law. Mary and the McBrayer real estate team deal with contracts, estates and probate, land use, and corporations in addition to the real estate process. Mary sees real estate as a great opportunity to pull people together and to create a good experience for both the seller and buyer. Many times a residential closing is the single biggest event in someone's life, and Mary hopes that she plays a part in helping them complete that process. She places a great deal of value on going the extra mile for the client.

Mary has served in numerous public service roles, including pro bono representation of various non-profit entities as well as serving as a former board member to the Lexington Hearing & Speech Center, former board member to the University of Kentucky Alumni Association, former board chair of First United Methodist Church, and former board member of Methodist Home. Mary currently assists low-to moderate-income families and individuals become first-time homeowners by hosting seminars on the buying process and she continues to be actively involved in the community.

News

IN THE MEDIA - Fifty McBrayer Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers® for 2027*
August 20, 2026

McBrayer PLLC Achieves Record-Breaking Recognition in *Best Lawyers in America® 2026*
August 21, 2025

New Record Set: 51 McBrayer Attorneys Honored in Best Lawyers 2025
August 15, 2024

Another Record! 49 McBrayer Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers® 2024
August 17, 2023

A Record Number! Thirty McBrayer Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers® in America* Lists for 2023
August 18, 2022

McBrayer Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers® in America* List for 2022
August 19, 2021

McBrayer Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers® in America* List for 2021
August 20, 2020

McBrayer Attorneys receive U.S. News Best Lawyers Distinction for 2020
U.S. News – Best Lawyers® in America, September 4, 2019

McBrayer Attorneys receive U.S. News Best Lawyers and Super Lawyers Distinctions for 2019
December 19, 2018

McBrayer attorneys named to U.S. News Best Lawyers including 3 Lawyer of the Year honors
Attorneys from McBrayer law offices in Lexington and Louisville achieved a 2018 listing in U.S. News Best Lawyers in America
August 15, 2017

Seminars & Speaking Engagements

Current Trends in Real Estate
2015 Annual Bench & Bar Conference
Lexington, KY, June 23, 2015

Professional Activities

- Fayette County Bar Association, Member
- Kentucky Bar Association, Member
- President of the Lambda Alpha of Chi Omega House Corp.