



FIRM OVERVIEW

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ABOUT US

FOUNDED 1921

Blades & Rosenfeld, P.A., established in 1921, is Maryland's oldest law firm that has retained the same name for over 100 years. The commitment of this firm to keeping its name stems from the dedication of the firm's founders to the core principles that still drive today's lawyers of Blades & Rosenfeld to deliver unmatched personal service to their clients.

Blades & Rosenfeld was established on the simple premise that attorneys and counselors must provide prompt and efficient service and be accessible to their clients. Over the years, Blades & Rosenfeld has deliberately followed a policy of slow growth to ensure quality service. The firm presently consists of seven principals and two associate attorneys. The members of the firm are continuously involved in community service activities, which range from Bar Association activities to charitable organizations, religious organizations, educational institutions and other civic organizations, and include many leadership roles.



AREAS OF PRACTICE

Administrative Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Bankruptcy Law
Business & Commercial Law
Business Litigation
Construction Law
Criminal Law
Employment Law - Employee
Employment Law - Employer
Estate Planning
Family Law
Financing/Borrower
Transactions
Health & Healthcare Law
Insurance Law
Intellectual Property Law
Litigation & Appeals
Personal Injury - Defense
Personal Injury - Plaintiff
Real Estate Law
Taxation Law
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FIRM HISTORY

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Blades & Rosenfeld began its existence in 1921 under the name of Blades, Rosenfeld & Frederick. Webster S. Blades graduated from St. John's College in Annapolis and obtained his law degree from Harvard Law School. Moses W. Rosenfeld graduated from Johns Hopkins University, at 19 years old, and graduated from University of Maryland Law School two years later. He was admitted to the Maryland Bar that same year.

After law school, Webster S. Blades, Moses W. Rosenfeld and Eugene Frederick started their legal careers at the law firm of Harry B. Wolf, who was an outstanding criminal and civil trial lawyer. In 1921, Mr. Blades, Mr. Rosenfeld and Mr. Frederick decided to strike out on their own and rented an office in the Fidelity Building at Charles and Lexington Streets. The three young partners opened their office with a few files of matters they were handling for their own clients. Mr. Frederick, who specialized in divorce law, left the firm shortly after it opened and in late 1921 the name became Blades & Rosenfeld.

Mr. Blades specialized in corporate matters and litigation and became such an expert in litigation that he wrote the definitive law book on pleading causes of action in Maryland for the time. It was a staple reference book in every law library in the State for many years. Mr. Rosenfeld chose to immerse himself in business law of every description, as well as in tax and estate planning when both of those specialties were relatively new.

To this day, Blades & Rosenfeld is known for its expertise in tax, business law and estate planning. When the concept of Private Family Foundations first developed, Mr. Rosenfeld became an expert in their promotion, formation and operation. He considered them an important charitable vehicle. In fact, he became such a successful advocate for Private Family Foundations that Congress called Mr. Rosenfeld to testify about them. Mr. Rosenfeld was so experienced that he became the attorney of record for over sixty Foundations.

For many years Blades & Rosenfeld remained a small law firm of three or four attorneys. The firm eventually started to expand its hiring in 1952, when Charles M. Cahn, Jr., an honors graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Law School joined the firm after service as an Army Officer in World War II and the Korean War. Two years later, Paul C. Wolman, Jr., a graduate of the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and another Harvard Law School graduate, joined the firm.



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In 1960 Eugene H. Schreiber, a C.P.A., was engaged by Blades & Rosenfeld after graduating from Johns Hopkins University and the University of Maryland Law School, having practiced accounting and having served for several years as comptroller of Schreiber Brothers, Inc., a family-owned food store chain. In 1965, Theodore C. Mitchell, a University of Maryland Law School graduate with substantial trial experience, joined the firm and established its litigation department.

Originally a partnership, Blades & Rosenfeld became the first law firm in the State of Maryland to become a Professional Corporation on July 1, 1969 at which time it added the letters "P.A." to its name. The pace of hiring new associates who became partners accelerated. Sanford D. Schreiber, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Franklin and Marshall College and an Honors graduate and Law Review Editor at the University of Maryland Law School joined the firm in 1972, followed by Jerome G. Geraghty, a business and tax specialist, who received an LLM degree from Georgetown University in 1976. In the years since, Blades & Rosenfeld has welcomed Charles H. Palmer III, Charles J. Siegel, Andrew J. Opiola, Todd R. Hippe, and Jennifer C. Jackson, MBA – all graduates of University of Maryland Law School – as partners to the firm.

The firm left the Fidelity Building in 1976, after 55 years at that location, and moved one block south to One Charles Center where it remained for 10 years. In 1986 Blades & Rosenfeld, P.A. moved further south on Charles Street to 20 S. Charles Street. In 2024, the firm moved to its present location at One South Street.



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FOUNDERS & MEMBERS

Webster S. Blades
1888-1967

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1892-1970

Julius Novey
1907-1973

Paul C. Wolman, Jr.
1926-1984

Theodore C. Mitchell
1936-1985

Charles M. Cahn Jr.
1921-2014

David L. Jacobson
1958-2018

Eugene H. Schreiber
1929-2019

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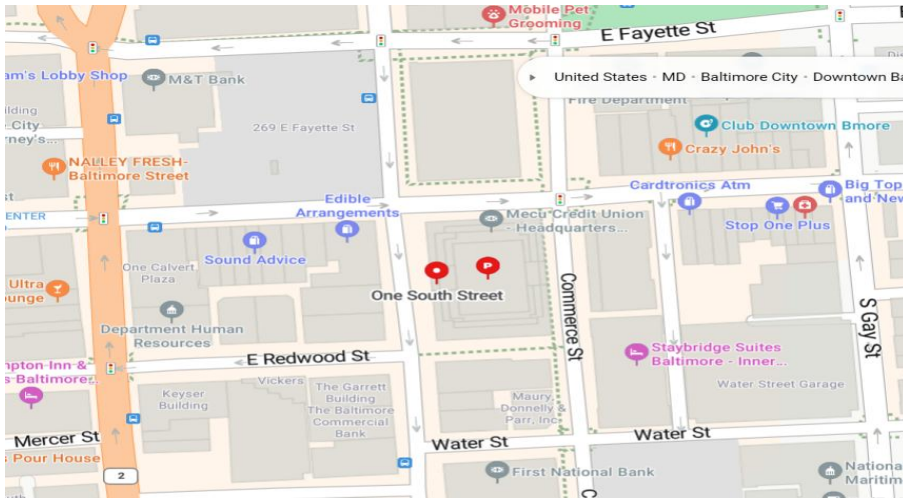
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LOCATIONS & PARKING

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COLUMBIA

Parking Tips

The Columbia Office is located very near the new Howard County Courthouse. Take Route 29 to Route 108 East to a left on Bendix Road and, in front of the courthouse, take a right at the sign to remain on Bendix Road. Take another right to enter the driveway, and enjoy the free, open parking lot. Our office is directly outside the elevators on the third floor of the building.



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