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LAW FIRM



George T. Cook

George is a shareholder of Blakinger Thomas and Chair of the Agricultural group. George's primary practice areas are real estate and agricultural law. He also is a member of the firm's Estates and Trusts practice group. He has expertise in real estate transactions and financing, real estate settlement services, agricultural preservation, advising farmers and other landowners, Agricultural Security Areas, Clean and Green, 1031 exchanges, estates and similar matters. He helps administer the law firm's title insurance agency relationship with several title insurance companies, attempting to creatively produce solutions for real estate title matters.

George enjoys that his practice has taken him to farmhouses, municipal buildings and courthouses around the Commonwealth. He appreciates Lancaster's wonderful land and is proud that part of his practice helps preserve the land for future generations.

EDUCATION

- University of Connecticut Law School, J.D. (*high honors, Law Review*)
- Lehigh University, B.S.

CLERKSHIPS

- Law Clerk to the Honorable Madeline Palladino, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania (1991-1992)

AWARDS

- Tabor Community Services, Board Member Service Award, 2012
- Lancaster Day Care Center, Honorary Board Member, 2007
- Public Service Award, Volunteer Representation, 1996

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Pennsylvania Bar Association (Agricultural Law Committee)
- Lancaster Bar Association (Past Chair of Real Estate Section)

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