# Shumaker

# Thomas C. Blank PARTNER



Tom has focused his practice on representing financial institutions for over 30 years, with particular experience serving banks, bank holding companies, and stand-alone trust companies.

Tom assists financial institutions with the following:

- Public securities offerings and private placements
- Ongoing counsel regarding reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- Interactions with both federal and state banking and securities agencies on a wide variety of regulatory issues, including enforcement actions and agreements, as well as general corporate matters
- Merger and acquisition transactions for community banking organizations, including purchase and sale of institutions, subsidiaries and branches

Tom was a founding member of, and continues to serve as General Counsel and Secretary to, the Association of Trust Organizations (formerly known as the Association of Independent Trust Companies, Inc.), a trade association of trust organizations, including non-depository trust companies.

**BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS** 

### SERVICE LINE

Corporate, Tax and Transactions Merger, Acquisitions, & Divestitures

### INDUSTRY SECTOR

Financial Institutions & Insurance

### PRIMARY LOCATION

Toledo, OH

### **EDUCATION**

J.D., Case Western Reserve University, 1981

A.B., Miami University, 1978

# **PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

- Toledo Bar Association
- Association of Trust Organizations (f/k/a Association of Independent Trust Companies, Inc.), General Counsel and Secretary, 1989-present, Board of Directors, 1989-1992
- Erie Shores Council, Boy Scouts of America, Board of Directors, 1998-present, member of the Executive Committee, 2002-2007, Silver Beaver Award recipient, presented by Erie Shores Council of the Boys Scouts, 2004
- Sylvania Historical Village, Inc., Board of Trustees, 2011-Present, President, 2016-2024

# **HONORS**

- AV® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Best Lawyers in America, 2009-2024
- Best Lawyers "Toledo Banking and Finance Law Lawyer of the Year," 2009, 2014, 2020
- Best Lawyers "Toledo Mergers & Acquisitions Law Lawyer of the Year," 2013, 2022

