



Thomas N. Hanna Biography



Tom Hanna has engaged in the practice of law since graduating from WVU College of Law in 1972, specializing in the fields of public utility, transportation and real estate law. He served as Staff Attorney with the Public Service Commission from 1972-1977 and has been in the private law practice in Charleston from 1977 to the present. While with the P.S.C., Mr. Hanna served as Staff Attorney and Administrative Law Judge in numerous utility and transportation cases, and represented the Commission in cases before the West Virginia Circuit Courts, U. S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia and in appeals before the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia and the U.S. Supreme Court of Appeals.

During his time in private practice, Mr. Hanna has represented all types of public utilities before the P.S.C., including electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water, sewer, taxi cabs, towing, waste haulers, ferry boats and toll bridges. He has represented small, privately-owned utilities, large publicly-held companies, municipalities and public service districts in utility rate cases, affiliated transaction cases, purchase and sales of public utilities, customer complaints, rulemaking proceedings and certificates of convenience and necessity. Mr. Hanna has also served as the Executive Director of the West Virginia Small Public Utilities Association since 1977.

In his real state practice, Mr. Hanna has represented individuals, corporations and lenders, and is an approved attorney for Chicago Title Insurance Company and First American Title Insurance Company. He is a former part-owner and Vice President of Jefferson Mortgage Company.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Public Utilities
Transportation
Real Estate

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

1977- present	Private Practice
1972- 1977	Staff Attorney, West Virginia Public Service Commission

EDUCATION

1976	Graduate of National College for State Judiciary School Administrative Law Judge Course.
1972	Graduate of National Association Regulatory Utility Commissioners School, Ratemaking Course
1972	J.D., West Virginia University College of Law
1967	B.A., West Virginia University (History)

BAR ADMISSIONS

1972 West Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS

1975 United States Supreme Court of Appeals
1972 Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia
1972 U. S. District Court for Southern District of West Virginia

ORGANIZATIONS

1977 – present West Virginia Small Public Utilities Association
 Executive Director

MILITARY SERVICE

1967-1969 U. S. Marine Corps

COMMUNITY

Charleston Tennis Club, President
The Players Club, Owner
Charleston Area Tennis Association, President
Charleston Public Courts Tennis Tournament, Co-Director

Winner of various local, regional and national tennis titles, including 50 & Over National Senior Olympics Doubles Championship and U.S.T.A. 4.0 National Team Championship.