



Heather Hilgers

Founder

About

Heather Hilgers is the founder and sole owner of Hilgers Graben, the nation's largest woman-owned law firm, certified by the National Association of Minority and Women-Owned Law Firms (NAMWOLF) and Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC). Alongside her husband, Mike Hilgers, who is now serving as Nebraska's Attorney General, Heather co-founded Hilgers Graben with a vision to create a firm that defies traditional law firm norms. Under her leadership, Hilgers Graben has grown into a nationally recognized firm, earning accolades such as being named one of the fastest-growing companies in America by the Inc. 5000 and recognized among Best Lawyers - Best Law Firms 2024. Heather's strategic vision and commitment to a people-focused culture have been instrumental in building a firm that offers high-caliber legal services while prioritizing flexibility and inclusivity.

Heather plays a vital role in the firm's management, overseeing internal operations, recruiting, and business development. She has been a driving force behind the firm's success, ensuring that Hilgers Graben continues to attract top legal talent and foster an innovative, supportive environment for its team members.

Before establishing Hilgers Graben, Heather served as the Associate Director of Career Services at the University of Nebraska College of Law, helping law students and alumni navigate their careers. She began her legal career as a criminal prosecutor before moving into private practice, where she specialized in commercial construction litigation.

She is actively involved at NAM Catholic Church, serving on the Stewardship Committee, and previously held the role of president of the Women of NAM Catholic Church. As a committed parent at NAM Catholic School, she also participates as a room parent for the PTO. Heather's dedication to service extends to her involvement with various organizations, including the Junior League of Lincoln, where she served as president, and the Board of Directors for CASA. She supports women in law through her engagement with Women Leaders in the Law, Attorneys Serving the Community in Dallas, and the Women Lead Conference.

Heather and her husband, Mike, are proud parents to their four children: Alice, Elsie, Clara Jane, and Michael. They remain dedicated to making a positive impact on the legal industry and their local community.

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Education

University of Houston Law Center, J.D.
Baylor University, BBA,
Marketing/Public Relations

Admissions

- Bar of Nebraska
- Bar of Texas

Experience

- Henderson County Assistant District Attorney
- Griffith Davison, P.C.
- Touchstone Bernays LLP
- Associate Director of Career Development - University of Nebraska College of Law

Awards

Inspire Women's Leadership Award - 2024 Finalist

Rising Star, Business/Corporate — Super Lawyers (2018)