

PTSF Announces the David Loder Legacy Fund

In Memoriam and Honoring: David Loder, PTSF Legal Counsel 1985-2025

It was with profound sadness that we shared the passing of David Loder, PTSF's longtime legal counsel and beloved friend to our organization. David passed on October 23, 2025, leaving behind a legacy that has shaped PTSF for four decades.

David joined PTSF at its inception in 1985 as a founding partner with Duane Morris LLP, becoming not just our legal advisor but a true partner in building our organization from the ground up. His wisdom, integrity, and unwavering commitment to our mission were instrumental in establishing the solid foundation upon which PTSF stands today.

While David's legal expertise was invaluable—guiding us through countless challenges, transitions, and opportunities—his contributions extended far beyond contract negotiations. He brought warmth, compassion, and genuine care to every interaction, understanding that behind every legal matter were real people whose lives could be positively impacted by PTSF's work.

Board members and staff remember David's steady presence at meetings, his thoughtful counsel during complex decisions, and his ability to see both the legal complexities and the human dimensions of every situation. He had a gift for making complex legal matters understandable and for always keeping our mission at the forefront.

In recognition of David's extraordinary 40 years of service, the Board of Directors has established the David Loder Legacy Fund. This permanent fund will support advocacy and policy initiatives, professional development and education, trauma system research and innovation, and other projects that advance our mission in ways that would have been meaningful to David. Please refer to [Policy BD 122 David Loder Legacy Fund](#) for additional details.

Memorial contributions to the David Loder Legacy Fund may be mailed to Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation, 275 Cumberland Parkway, #234, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055, with "David Loder Legacy Fund" noted in the memo field. Contributions may also be submitted by contacting Dor Adams, PTSF Finance Specialist, at dadams@ptsf.org. All contributions are tax-deductible.

David's legacy lives on in every program we operate, and every life touched by PTSF's work. We are deeply grateful for his 40 years of service, friendship, and dedication. He was, in every sense, part of the PTSF family, and he will be profoundly missed.

