

Mark Thornburg Executive Director of Legal Affairs & General Counsel

Mark Thornburg is the executive director of legal affairs and general counsel for Indiana Farm Bureau. In his role, he oversees a wide variety of legal issues pertaining to county Farm Bureaus as well as the state organization. Thornburg joined INFB in 1999 as an environmental attorney, helping members find answers to agricultural-related legal issues.

Prior to coming to Farm Bureau, Thornburg worked with the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service for 17 years, part of the time as an extension educator. Most recently, he specialized in legal and policy



analysis for extension, the Office of the State Chemist and the Office of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

He has a bachelor's degree from Purdue University, where he majored in agricultural economics, and an MBA from Ball State University. Thornburg received his law degree, which included a concentration in environmental law and policy, from Valparaiso University.

Thornburg serves as secretary for the Indiana Agricultural Law Foundation, a charitable organization that promotes a better understanding of legal issues facing Indiana agriculture through educational programming and support of precedent-setting litigation. He is also the past chair of the Indiana Agriculture Leadership Institute board of directors.

He participated in the Indiana Agricultural Leadership Program Class 8. Thornburg and his, wife, Julie, live in Zionsville with their son, Max.

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