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PRACTICE AREAS

Mergers & Acquisitions
Corporate & Business
Transactions

Tax Planning & Controversy

INDUSTRIES

Financial Services



Bob concentrates his law practice in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, taxation, corporate restructuring, business organizations, financing transactions and contracts. Bob is both a Certified Accountant and Board Certified in Tax Law by the Texas Board of Specialization, and is able to provide a distinctive perspective on maximizing the shareholder/owner value in a business transaction though the formation, merger, spin off, reorganization, merger or acquisition. Bob manages entities and organizations by guiding them through their inception as startups, to providing advice on the most challenging aspects during their business life, then ultimately the sale of the business or transition to new ownership and management.

As an experienced tax attorney, Bob is able to provide tax planning for a business along with representing taxpayers in controversy matters all the way through the administrative process including the U.S. Tax Court. His experience includes planning and preparing corporation documentation such as stock option plans, stock transactions, secured transactions, employee benefits, loan documentation and estate tax planning.

Bob's professional activities have included serving as the president of the Austin Tax Study Group and the chairman of the Corporate, Business and Tax Section of the Austin Bar Association. Bob is also involved in his community and serves on several neighborhood and boards.

Publications & Presentations

- Speaker, *Coronavirus Relief Legislation Update*, UT Law CLE, 29th Annual LLCs, LPs, and Partnerships Conference, Austin, TX (July 24, 2020)
- Presenter, Tax Issues, The Trump Effect: Get Your Entrepreneurial Client Prepared for the New Reality, Entrepreneurial Law Bar Association, Austin, Texas (April 6, 2017)

Professional Associations & Community Involvement

- American Bar Association: Taxation, Business Law Section
- Texas Board of Legal Specialization: Tax Law Advisory and Exam Commission (Vice Chairman 2001-2003)
- Texas Society of Public Accountants
- Austin Bar Association Corporation and Tax Section (Chairman 2005-2007; Board of Directors 2005-2007)
- Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Council (Board of Directors 2005-2013)
- Austin Chapter of TSCPAs: Tax Section (Chairman and Committee Chair 1990-1991)
- Ronald McDonald House (past Board of Directors, Treasurer 1998 -2001)
- Young Men's Business League (past Board of Directors)
- Johnson Creek Neighborhood Association (President 1988-1992)
- Boy Scouts of America: Bee Cave District (Finance Chairman)

Professional Recognition

- Board Certified, Tax Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization
- Listed in *The Best Laywers in America*® as Lawyer of the Year in Tax Law (2020)
- Austin Monthly's Top Austin Attorneys 2020, Tax Law
- Listed in Best Lawyers ©, Tax law since 2012

Court Admissions

- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas

Bar Admissions

- Texas
- Illinois

Education/Professional Background

- Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, J.D., 1980
- Northern Illinois University, B.S., 1976
- Certified Public Accountant, Texas 1994; Illinois, 1977