

Press Release

Akerman Expands Tax Practice Group with Partner Erika Labelle in Denver

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman LLP today announced the expansion of its Tax Practice Group with partner [Erika Labelle](#) in Denver. She joins from a large law firm where she served as the co-leader of its U.S. Tax Group. Labelle is the sixth partner to join Akerman's national tax team in six months.

"With intense client demand in the areas of M&A and private equity, we are focused on expanding with lawyers who bring extraordinary experience in transactional tax," said [Peter Larsen](#), chair of Akerman's Tax Practice Group. "Erika boosts our capacity across a range of tax matters that intersect with our national corporate, real estate, and bankruptcy and restructuring teams."

Labelle represents public and private businesses in transactional tax, REIT, and controversy matters. She focuses her practice on corporate and partnership tax planning and structuring, including taxable and tax-free corporate mergers, stock and asset acquisitions, reorganizations, divestitures and restructurings. She also regularly represents business entities in federal controversy matters with the Internal Revenue Service, including matters related to acquisitions, restructurings, transfer pricing, excise taxes, and research credits.

Akerman's Tax Practice Group has furthered its national footprint with the addition of six lateral

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partners in six months. The team welcomed state and local tax partner Lorie Fale in Miami, domestic and international tax partner John Buckun in Chicago, Philip Weingold in New York, trusts and estates partner David Slenn in Naples, and state and local tax partner Lauren Ferrante in Chicago.

About Akerman

Akerman LLP is a top 100 U.S. law firm recognized among the most forward-thinking firms in the industry by Financial Times. Its more than 700 lawyers and business professionals collaborate with the world's most successful enterprises and entrepreneurs to navigate change, seize opportunities, and help drive innovation and growth.

Akerman's Tax Practice Group advises domestic and foreign corporations, partnerships, individuals and nonprofit institutions on a wide range of international, federal and state and local tax issues, tax audits and tax litigation. The group represents clients in complex transactions and creates tax efficient structures and innovative solutions. Akerman also provides tax planning services associated with in-bound and out-bound investments in Latin America and the Caribbean, and serves as counsel to foreign companies and individual investors looking to do business in the United States.