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Carolyn Kershner focuses her practice on foreign and domestic income tax planning and litigation, state and local tax planning and litigation, corporate and cross-border transactions, employee benefits and executive compensation, not-for-profit and tax-exempt organizations, and estate planning for U.S. and non-U.S. citizens.

Prior to her legal career, Carolyn performed product development and actuarial analysis services for Tower Hill Insurance Group, Inc. where she was involved in hurricane modeling, rate-making, and designing new insurance products.

Published Work and Lectures

- “Income and Estate Tax Planning for Foreign Investments in the United States,” Greater Fort Lauderdale Tax Council, May 2009
- “Tax-Exempt Organizations,” Ullman Year in Review, The Florida Bar Tax Section 2008-2009 Organizational Meeting

Affiliations

- Florida Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc., Past Founding Director and Past Chair of the Board of Directors
- Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association, Local Bar Member, Law in the Library Committee, Member, 2012-Present
- University of Florida Law Alumni Council, Council Member, 2012-present
- Greater Fort Lauderdale Tax Council, Inc., Member, Director and Secretary, 2006-2012
- Helping Abused, Neglected, Disadvantaged Youth, Inc. (HANDY), Past Board Member, Secretary; Next Generation Committee, Chairperson, Secretary; Kathie’s Classic Committee, Member; Voices for Children Committee, Liaison, 2009-2011
- Società Dante Alighieri of Miami, Inc., Member, 2008-2011

Areas of Experience

- Tax
- Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation
- Federal Tax Litigation and Controversy
- International Tax
- State and Local Tax Consulting
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- Tax-Exempt Organizations
- Taxation in Indian Country
- Political Law

Education

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2005, magna cum laude, award-winning member of the Florida Law Review; Director of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program; Probate Court Extern in the Eighth Judicial Circuit Probate Division
B.S., University of Florida, Mathematics, 1997, with Honors, Member of *Phi Beta Kappa*

Admissions

Bars

Florida

Courts

U.S. Tax Court

Languages

Italian

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Honors and Distinctions

- *Daily Business Review* 2015, Recognized as a Rising Star in South Florida
- *Super Lawyers* Magazine 2009, Listed in Florida as a “Rising Star”