

People



## Robert H. Wall

Partner, Tax

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Rob focuses his practice on representing entities and individuals in complex tax matters. Specifically, he advises clients on matters related to federal and state tax laws and how to minimize the impact of taxes on transactions and transfers. He advocates on behalf of clients before the Internal Revenue Service and state departments of revenue, including audits and appeals from audit determinations, compliance, collections, and U.S. Tax Court matters.

In addition, Rob advises individual clients with estate and tax planning matters, including succession issues for closely held businesses and preparation of estate planning and succession documents. He also counsels clients on issues related to tax-exemptions and represents businesses and individuals in business dealings, including structuring, acquisitions, and entity selection matters. Rob regularly advises tax-exempt organizations on questions of policies and procedures, corporate governance, private inurement, fundraising, and development.

Rob is a frequent lecturer on topics related to taxation and corporate governance and serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Wake Forest University School of Law.

### Published Work and Lectures

- Private Investment Fund Tax Master Class, Speaker, “Key Strategies in Preparing for Tax Examinations,” May 1, 2023
- North Carolina Bar Association COVID 19 Webinar Series, Speaker, “[The New Normal: What to Expect from Taxes, the Treasury, Contracts and Construction on the Other Side of the Shut Down](#),” May 5, 2020
- *The Changing World Religion Map: Sacred Places, Identities, Practices and Politics*, ed. Stan Brunn, Co-author with Dr. Lucas F. Johnston, “The Camel and the Eye of the Needle: Religion, Moral Exchange and Social Impacts,” 2014

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### Areas of Experience

Tax  
Federal Tax Litigation and Controversy  
Tax-Exempt Organizations  
M&A and Private Equity  
Trusts and Estates

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### Education

LL.M. in Taxation, University of Denver College of Law, 2003  
J.D., University of Alabama School of Law, 2002  
B.A., Wake Forest University, 1998

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### Admissions

#### Bars

North Carolina  
Georgia

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### Related Content

Tax Partner Robert Wall Interviewed on IRS Enforcement Changes by *Accounting Today*  
October 18, 2023

Tax Partner Robert Wall Quoted on IRS Enforcement in *The Hill*  
October 04, 2023

Record Number of Akerman Lawyers Named to *The Best Lawyers in America 2024 Guide*  
August 22, 2023

## Affiliations

- North Carolina Pro Bono Society, Member
- North Carolina Bar Association Task Force on Integration, Equity, and Equal Justice, Member
- Forsyth County Bar Association, Member
- North Carolina Bar Association Tax Law Section, Chair
- North Carolina Bar Association, Continuing Legal Education Committee, Member, 2020, Chairman, 2021
- Ronald McDonald House of Winston-Salem, Chair of the Board
- Wake Forest University Greek Alumni Advisory Board, Past Chair

## Honors and Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2017-2021, 2024, Listed in North Carolina for Tax Law, Trusts and Estates
- *Business North Carolina* Magazine, 2017, 2023-2024, Recognized as a member of the “Legal Elite” for Tax and Estate Planning Law
- North Carolina Bar Association, Citizen Lawyer Award, 2023
- North Carolina Bar Association Foundation, CLE Volunteer of the Year, 2016