



Tax

Domestic and International Tax Counsel

Farella Braun + Martel has a vibrant, diversified domestic and international tax practice, with a focus on real estate transactions, mergers and acquisitions, international tax, federal and state tax litigation services, and general tax matters affecting middle market entities. Our tax lawyers distinguish themselves by providing innovative and practical solutions to an array of complex tax and business matters.

Tax Law Proficiency

The attorneys in the Farella Braun + Martel tax practice all have advanced legal degrees in taxation from the top tax programs in the country. Our tax lawyers work closely with their own clients and also with clients from virtually all of the other practice areas in the firm. Whether it is structuring a \$20M historic tax credit investment for the San Francisco Ferry Building with our land use attorneys or structuring a complex merger for a large winery client with the attorneys in our Wine Group, our tax lawyers provide creative structuring solutions from the initial stage of a project through the completion of a transaction.

Businesses Benefiting from Tax Counsel

Businesses served cross most manufacturing, technology-based and service sectors of the economy. The firm's experience ranges from providing tax counsel for initial public offerings to mergers and acquisitions, structuring historic rehabilitation tax credit projects, corporate purchases and sales, joint venture formations, equity compensation, taxation of tax-exempt entities, partnership taxation, tax-sheltered debt restructures, real estate acquisitions and exchanges and both inbound and outbound foreign investments.

Tax Law Areas of Achievement

Farella Braun + Martel has particular expertise in complex real estate matters, augmenting and complementing the firm's extensive real estate, land use, hotel and hospitality practice. We have worked with our Real Estate Group to effectively restructure financially distressed real estate projects and have been involved in some of the largest REIT combinations in the country, including Cornerstone Properties acquisition of over \$1B of commercial real estate from William Wilson & Associates and Equity Office Properties subsequent acquisition of Cornerstone Properties. The firm's tax practice includes work with U.S. clients with international business opportunities and international clients with U.S.-based investments. Our expertise in inbound and outbound transactions ranges from the more traditional real estate investments by our foreign clients to counseling the firm's numerous hotel clients from Hong Kong, Japan, Monaco and the Middle East in establishing acquisition and management structures for hotel purchases both in the United States and abroad. The tax practice works in tandem with the firm's renowned Wine Industry and Agribusiness Practice structuring vineyard investments for Canadian, German, Spanish, Middle Eastern and South American investors.

The tax practice also practices in California income, property and sales tax matters.

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Areas of Focus

Historic & New Markets Tax
Credits

Related Practices

Business Litigation
Business Transactions
Family Wealth
Private Clients
Real Estate and Land Use