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PRACTICE AREAS

Income Tax Litigation

Estate and Gift Tax Litigation

Income Tax and Business Planning



Biography

Mr. Spiegel practices predominantly in the areas of federal estate, gift, and income tax controversy. He represents clients in all phases of a federal tax dispute, including audit, administrative appeals, litigation in U.S. District Court and the U.S. Tax Court, and, when necessary, the U.S. Courts of Appeals. Brian also devotes his practice to counseling clients on the federal tax consequences of business transactions.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Spiegel was a Law Clerk for The Honorable Juan F. Vasquez, United States Tax Court, Washington, D.C., 2010-2012.

Mr. Spiegel was admitted to practice in Texas in 2009.

Education

- New York University School of Law, LL.M. in Taxation, 2010
- Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2009
 - *Order of the Coif*
 - Articles Editor, *International Law Review Association*. 2008-2009
 - Dean's Scholarship Recipient
 - International Law Review Association Best Comment, Finalist
 - Published, *River of Discontent: Argentina and Uruguay Before the International Court of Justice*, 14 L. & BUS. REV. AM. 797, Fall 2008
- The University of Texas at Austin, Bachelor of Journalism, 2006
 - Dean's List
 - KVRX 91.7, News and Sports Director
 - Member, Society of Professional Journalism
 - Member, Texas Student Media

Memberships

- American Bar Association
 - Member, Tax Section
- State Bar of Texas

- Member, Tax Section
- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

Admissions

- Supreme Court of Texas
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States Tax Court

Honors & Awards

- Texas Super Lawyers-Tax as listed in Texas Super Lawyers Magazine, 2020-2022
- Texas Rising Stars, Tax-2016-2019, as published in Texas Monthly and in Texas Super Lawyers - Rising Stars Edition and on the web at superlawyers.com
- Best Lawyers in Dallas, D Magazine, 2016, 2022 & 2023, Tax Litigation
- Best Lawyers Under 40 in Dallas, D Magazine, 2017, 2020, 2021 & 2022, Tax: Litigation

Experience

Representative Cases

- U.S. v. Marshall, 798 F.3d 296, 315-21 (5th Cir. 2015) (Majority Opinion by Judge Owen)

Archived Speeches

- November 5, 2019 - 21st Annual Meadows Collier Tax Conference
- December 11, 2014 - "Ask The Experts: Top Tips in Criminal Tax Cases"

Blog

- January 19, 2016 - Tax Court's Proposed Rule Changes and Clarifications Would be Welcome
Last week Chief Judge Michael Thornton announced a number of proposed changes and clarifications to the Tax Court's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Once finalized, and there is little reason to believe that they won't be, practitioners may want to adjust the ways they practice before the Tax Court. To assist in that transition, here is a summary of some of the key proposed revisions: