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In my practice, I meet people with complex assets and businesses, as well as intricate family dynamics. Experience has taught me that a good estate planning attorney must be part psychologist, part tactician, and part jigsaw puzzle solver in order to avoid a myriad of landmines that confront the modern family in both estate administration and probate litigation.

Brian concentrates his practice in the areas of estate and tax planning, estate administration, probate and trust litigation, wills and trusts, business succession planning, and tax controversy before federal and state tax authorities as well as federal and state Tax Courts.

Brian has represented clients in the formation of tax exempt organizations including public charities, private foundations, social clubs and trade organizations, assisting these entities in obtaining state and federal tax exempt status and advising on organization and operational issues. His experience also encompasses the formation of joint ventures between tax exempt and for profit entities.

Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Rated AV® Preeminent (a trademark of Internet Brands, Inc.)

Departments

Tax, Trusts & Estates

Practice Groups

Higher Education

Education

Benjamin N. Cardozo School
of Law, J.D., 1995

New York University Graduate
School of Law, LL.M., 1997

University of Michigan, B.S.E.,
1991

Bar Admissions

New Jersey, 1995

New York, 1996

U.S. District Court, District of
New Jersey, 1995

U.S. District Court, Southern
District of New York, 1997

U.S. District Court, Eastern
District of New York, 1997

U.S. Tax Court, 1997

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UNIQUELY NJ

- Phoenix Partners Networking Group
- As a member of the Middlesex County Bar Association, served on a committee studying the implementation of Limited Licensed Legal Technicians (LLLT) in New Jersey

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Former Adjunct Professor, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law's Tax Clinic

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Speaker, Estate Planning for Alternative Assets: Sports Memorabilia

Sponsor: *Estate Planning Council of Northern New Jersey*, September 25, 2025

Lecturer, Estate Planning from A to Z

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, 6.10-11.19

Presenter, Using Trusts in Estate Planning and Asset Protection

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, November 14, 2018

Speaker, Estate Planning from Start to Finish

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, December 14, 2017

Speaker, Trusts: The Ultimate Guide

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, June 22-23, 2017

Lecturer, Wills and Estate Planning

Sponsor: *New Jersey State Bar Foundation*, May 2, 2017

Presenter, Wills and Estate Planning Seminar

Sponsor: *New Jersey State Bar Foundation*, October 29, 2015

Faculty, Estate Administration Procedures: Why Each Step Is Important

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, October 16, 2015

Speaker, Basic Estate Planning

Sponsor: *New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education*, July 1, 2014

Speaker, The Photographer's Legacy

Sponsor: *American Society of Media Photographers*, May 7, 2014

Speaker, Estate Planning from A to Z

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, December 17, 2013

Speaker, Estate Planning for Visual Artists

Sponsor: *Watchung Arts Center*, November 24, 2013

Speaker, Estate Planning from A to Z

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, June 5, 2012

Speaker, Estate Planning Basics

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, November 2011

Speaker, Estate Planning Basics

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, December 2008

Speaker, Estate Planning Basics

Sponsor: *National Business Institute*, April 2007

Speaker, Tax-Exempt Organizations in New Jersey

September 2005

Speaker, Let's Write a Will

Sponsor: *New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education*, May 15, 2002

Speaker, Let's Write a Will

Sponsor: *New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education*, May 2002

Speaker, Let's Write a Will

Sponsor: *New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education*, March 2001

PUBLICATIONS & ALERTS

Author, IRS and New Jersey Extend April 15 Income Tax Deadline to May 17

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, March 22, 2021

Co-Author, Estate Planning Considerations in the Time of COVID-19

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, April 28, 2020

Author, IRS Expands COVID-19 Relief by Extending Additional Filing and Payment Deadlines for Businesses and Individuals to July 15, 2020

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, April 15, 2020

Author, New Jersey Extends Income Tax Filing Deadline to July 15, 2020

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, April 1, 2020

Author, 2020 Income Taxes (UPDATE): IRS Has Extended April 15 Deadline for Filing Returns to July 15

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, March 20, 2020

Author, 2020 Income Taxes: April 15 Filing Deadline Remains, But IRS Allows 90-Day Extension of Time to Pay Taxes

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP, March 19, 2020

Author, New Jersey Enacts Legislation Providing Business Owners With Workaround for Federal "SALT" Cap

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, January 24, 2020

Contributor, 2018 Real Estate Update: Trending Issues & Topics of Interest

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, February 2018

Co-Author, The New Tax Law's Impact on Real Estate

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP 2018 Real Estate Update: Trending Issues & Topics of Interest, February 2018

Co-Author, The New Tax Law: What It Means For Individuals

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, January 23, 2018

Co-Author, Estate Planning in 2018: An Overview of Recent Developments

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, January 10, 2018

Co-Author, An Overview of Pet Trusts in New Jersey

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, June 2017

Author, ABLE Accounts for Families with Disabled Individuals: Important Considerations

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, April 2016

Co-Author, Post Civil-Union Planning: The Tax & Estate Planning Issues Faced by the Non-Traditional Family

New Jersey Law Journal, July 2, 2007

Author, If It Sounds Too Good to Be True...

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, Fall 2003

Editor, Federal and State Tax Claims in Insolvency Proceedings

New Jersey Practice, 2001 Edition

Chapter Author, Generation-Skipping Tax
Modern Estate Planning, *Matthew Bender, 1996*
Author, article on the Estate Tax Exclusion
The Bergen Record