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Matt Wiese is the Chair of the firm's Estate Planning Practice Group. He focuses primarily in the areas of trusts and estates, closely held family business structures, and international and domestic taxation for high-net-worth individuals. He helps clients through all stages of estate planning, including probate and trust administration. He advises foreign and domestic clients on U.S. federal income, gift, and estate tax matters.

In addition, Matt has worked on significant sales of privately held companies and helps business owners with succession planning and general business law.

Before joining the firm, Matt was the founder and sole shareholder of Wiese Law Corporation based in Bellevue, WA. And before that, he worked at prominent law firms in Salt Lake City, Boise, and Las Vegas.

Education

LL.M. in Tax, University of Washington, 2000

JD, University of Utah School of Law, 1996

BA, English and Spanish, University of Utah, 1992

Bar and Court Admissions

State of Washington

State of Utah

State of Nevada

District of Columbia

U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

U.S. Courts, Ninth Circuit

Professional Associations

Washington State Bar Association

- Business Law

- Taxation

- Real Property

- Probate and Trust

State of Nevada

State of Utah

U.S. Tax Court

District of Columbia Bar Association

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Helps high-net worth individuals and families design sophisticated lifetime giving plans to transfer assets to future generations while protecting assets and minimizing income, estate, and gift taxes, including family limited partnerships or LLCs, spousal lifetime access trusts (SLATs), domestic asset protection trusts (DAPTs), grantor retained annuity trusts (GRATs), irrevocable life insurance trusts (ILITs), installment sales to intentionally defective grantor trusts (IDGTs), and qualified personal residence trusts (QPRTs).
- Assists individuals and families based outside the United States with proper structuring of assets to minimize U.S. income, gift, and estate tax.
- Works with business owners to plan for the transition of private companies to the next generation or to outside parties.
- Designs charitable giving strategies, including charitable remainder trusts, charitable lead trusts, private foundations, and donor advised funds.

PUBLICATIONS

- Using a Charitable Remainder Trust to Sell a Business, *Puget Sound Business Journal*, *Carney E News*, March 2023