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OVERVIEW

Isreal focuses his practice on tax and estate planning. He advises clients on how to minimize estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer taxes, as well as how to implement and administer complex estate planning structures.

Isreal is board certified in tax law and estate planning and probate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Financial Planner™ practitioner, and Personal Financial Specialist.

Before going into private practice, Isreal served for five years as a trial attorney for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, where he personally handled more than 1,700 cases, including more than 850 cases litigated at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. He has extensive experience collaborating with taxpayers, taxpayer representatives, auditors, and other agency personnel to resolve disputed state tax issues and claims related to Texas franchise tax and sales and use tax. He also has experience handling unclaimed property claims and holder reports.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

State Civil Tax Litigation/Controversy Work

- Represents taxpayers in sales and use tax, franchise tax, mixed beverage gross receipts tax and mixed beverage sales tax, nexus, and officer and successor liability matters.
- Works with taxpayers, taxpayer representatives, auditors, and other comptroller personnel to resolve disputed state tax issues and claims.
- Routinely assists taxpayers with voluntary disclosure agreements, compromise and settlement agreements, and releases of state tax liens.

Estate Planning, Probate, and Transactional Work

- Designs and implements family limited partnerships and other entities to manage family owned assets.
- Represents clients in uncontested will probates and in estate administration.
- Handles all aspects of premarital agreements, separate property and community property agreements, and the

maintenance of separate property interests.

- Maintains certification by the State Bar of Texas to serve as an attorney ad litem in Texas courts under Texas Estates Code § 1054.201.

Unclaimed Property

- Advises business clients on reporting and remitting unclaimed property and assists individuals with claiming unclaimed property from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

AWARDS

- *D Magazine*, Best Lawyers in Dallas, Tax: Trusts & Estates (2025)
- Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program's Volunteer of the Month (February 2021)
- Hon. Nikki DeShazo Pro Bono Award, Dallas Bar Association Probate, Trusts and Estates Section (2021)
- Committee Member of the Year, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants – Dallas (2019)
- *Super Lawyers® Texas*, Tax Law (2023-2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Tax

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Private Wealth Management
- Tax
- Tax Controversy + Litigation

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, AICPA
- Member of Leadership Council, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants
- Board of directors, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants – Dallas
- President-elect
- Life Benefactor fellow, Dallas Bar Foundation
- Member, Texas Bar College

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Assistant general counsel, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
- In-house counsel, Howard Financial Services, Ltd., Dallas

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, LL.M., 2004

- Texas Tech University School of Law, J.D., 2002
- Texas Tech University, M.S., 2002
- The University of Texas at Austin, B.A., *with honors*, 1999

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Texas
- District of Columbia

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "Hot Topics: Navigating the Corporate Transparency Act & Estate Tax Audits," TXCPA East Texas, November 21, 2024.
- Speaker, "Corporate Transparency Act Compliance," Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants Practice Management Conference, May 2024.
- Speaker, "Family Law Considerations in Estate Planning," Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants Summit 2024 Conference, August 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, "Estate Planning in Uncertain Times," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, July 7, 2025.
- Author, "You Don't Have to be a Rock Climber to Leave a Lasting Legacy: Planning with Purpose Trusts," *Finseca The Washington Report Wealth Transfer Edition*, March 27, 2025.