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INDUSTRIES

Energy
Finance

PRACTICES

Business Tax
Master Limited
Partnerships (MLPs)
Tax
Transactional Tax

EDUCATION

JD, 1997, *cum laude*,
University of Houston
Law Center
MPA, 1989, Accounting,
The University of Texas
at Austin
BBA, 1989, Accounting,
The University of Texas
at Austin

ADMISSIONS

Texas 1997

Robert's principal area of practice is federal income tax law with an emphasis on domestic business transaction planning. He has significant experience advising publicly-traded partnerships (MLPs) on capital formation and acquisition activities and has served as tax counsel to both issuers and underwriters in connection with numerous debt offerings. Robert also advises clients on federal income and Texas state tax issues in mergers and acquisitions, including tax-free reorganizations and like-kind exchanges.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Robert has provided tax advice involving:

- \$2.8 billion merger of MLPs
- \$2 billion senior notes offering
- \$500 million initial public offering of a pipeline MLP
- \$850 million acquisition of oil & gas properties in a reverse like-kind exchange
- \$3.5 billion tax-free acquisition of publicly owned energy company
- \$100 million convertible notes offering with contingent interest

PUBLICATIONS

- IRS Releases Form 8942 for Qualified Therapeutic Discovery Projects (June 22, 2010)
- IRS Provides Guidance on Application Process for Qualified Therapeutic Discovery Project Investment Tax Credits or Cash Grants (June 2, 2010)
- Carried Interest Tax Provisions of the American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010 (May 28, 2010)
- Investment Tax Credit or Cash Grant in Lieu of Investment Tax Credit for Qualifying Therapeutic Discovery Projects (April 20, 2010)
- "President Obama's Proposal Regarding U.S. Federal Income Tax Deferral and Enforcement against Tax Havens" (May 5, 2009)
- "Tax Provisions Contained in the President's Budget for FY2010" (February 27, 2009)
- "Review of Tax Provisions in the Economic Stimulus Package" (February 26, 2009)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Texas Super Lawyer in Tax Law, *Texas Monthly* (2011)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Tax Law (2011 and 2012)

Robert J. McNamara

- Profiled as one of the leading Tax lawyers in Texas, *Chambers USA: Leading Lawyers for Business* (2008-2012)
- Texas Rising Star in Tax, *Texas Monthly* (2005, 2007)

BRIEFINGS, SEMINARS & SPEECHES

- "A Primer on MLPs and Qualifying Income," Tax Executives Institute (May 21, 2009)

AFFILIATIONS

- Houston Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas

PRESS RELEASES

- 54 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2012 (September 22, 2011)
- 35 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named in Texas Super Lawyers 2011 (September 12, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Announces 2011-2012 Policy Committee Election (August 2, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Recognized Twice for Deal of the Year in M&A Atlas Awards (March 22, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Represents Underwriters in Kinder Morgan IPO (February 11, 2011)
- 49 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2011 (August 16, 2010)
- Andrews Kurth Announces 2010-2011 Policy Committee Election (August 10, 2010)