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Michael is Managing Partner of the Blue Bell office and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. His practice involves a broad range of matters, many of which are tax related.

He has experience in:

- estate and gift tax planning
- estate and trust administration
- resolution of tax controversies
- federal income tax planning for corporations and their shareholders, partnerships and limited liability companies, and individuals

Michael also provides legal counsel to businesses and business owners on commercial matters such as:

- business succession planning
- mergers and acquisitions
- real estate acquisitions and dispositions
- sale, leasing, and other financing transactions

Services

- Taxation & Wealth Planning
- Business Succession Planning
- Business Taxation
- Corporate
- Federal Estate & Gift Tax Planning
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Tax Controversy & Litigation
- Trust & Estate Law & Administration
- Private Companies

Before Fox Rothschild

Michael was an associate in the financial services department of a major Philadelphia law firm, where he represented lenders and borrowers in complex financial transactions, including asset based loans, the financing of leveraged buyouts, and equipment lease transactions.

In law school at Villanova University, Michael served as an Editor for the *Villanova Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. Prior to law school, he worked as a certified public accountant in the audit department in the Philadelphia office of Price Waterhouse.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Michael speaks frequently to professional, civic, and community groups on various topics related to his practice. He is the past chair of the Probate and Tax Section of the Montgomery Bar Association. He is active in his community as a former baseball and basketball coach and is past President of the CYO at St. Helena Parish in Blue Bell, PA.

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Tax Court

Education

- Villanova University School of Law (LL.M., *in Taxation*, 2001)
- Villanova University School of Law (J.D., 1995)
- University of Notre Dame (B.B.A., 1988)

Memberships

- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Montgomery County Bar Association
- Montgomery County Estate Planning Council

Honors & Awards

- **Recognized by *Chambers High Net Worth (HNW) for Private Wealth Law in Pennsylvania (2023)***

This award is conferred by Chambers & Partners. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

Publications

September 14, 2016

New Tax Regulations Will Impact High-Net-Worth Estate Planning

Taxation and Wealth Planning Alert

February 4, 2016

Form 8971 and Instructions Issued – How Do They Apply to Portability-Only 706 Filings?

Estate Planning Blog

October 2, 2015

Does an Estate Tax Portability Filing Trigger the New Section 6035 Basis Reporting Requirements?

Estate Planning Blog

May 6, 2015

Mikel: The Tax Court's Latest Word on Crummey Powers

Estate Planning Blog

January 27, 2015

Portability and Tenancy by the Entireties Combine for Asset Protection Without Sacrificing Estate Tax Planning

Estate Planning Blog

October 8, 2014

How To Use a Roth IRA To Fund College Tuition

Estate Planning Blog

August 13, 2014

Back to School: Health Care Directives and Powers of Attorney for College Students

Estate Planning Blog

June 19, 2014

Supreme Court: "Inherited IRAs Not Protected From Creditors in Bankruptcy"

Estate Planning Blog

January 30, 2014

Automatic Relief for Missed Portability Elections: IRS Issues Revenue Procedure 2014-18

October 9, 2013

So What if It's Late? Why You Should File Gift Tax Returns on Time

September 27, 2013

IRS Clarifies Windsor's Application to Federal Tax Laws

Estate Planning Blog

September 1, 2013

Post Windsor Estate Planning: Are You Ready for the End of DOMA?

August 14, 2013

Gandolfini's Will – A Case for the Revocable Trust

July 31, 2013

Frequent Flyer Miles and Hotel Points: Where do they Travel to When You're Gone?

Estate Planning Blog

2011

Safeguarding Your Wealth: A Guide for Pennsylvania Doctors on Protecting Your Assets from Malpractice Claims

April 1, 2010

Is Your Client's ILIT Obsolete?

Life Insurance Selling

Events

May 28, 2020

Smart Estate Planning During an Economic Downturn: What Families Can Do to Protect Wealth

Webinar

April 16, 2020

Smart Estate Planning During an Economic Downturn: What Families Can Do to Protect Wealth
Webinar

April 7, 2020

Coping With COVID: Topics To Help You, Your Family and Your Business Navigate Through Uncertainty
Webinar

January 22, 2020

Estate Planning & the SECURE Act: What You Need to Know
Webinar

December 4, 2018

Estate Planning After Tax Reform
Philadelphia Country Club

April 23, 2013

Spring Legal Updates for Your Business
Blue Bell Country Club

November 28, 2012

Recent Updates in Taxation and Wealth Planning
Blue Bell Country Club

October 5, 2011

Greater Philadelphia Financial Services Super Day
DoubleTree Guest Suites

March 15, 2011

Estate Tax Legislative Update
Doylestown Country Club

December 2, 2009

Safeguarding Your Wealth: A Guide for Pennsylvania Doctors on Protecting Your Assets from Malpractice Claims

November 12, 2009

Estate Planning and Administration With Retirement Benefits
Green Valley Country Club

November 13, 2008

Essentials of Estate Planning in Today's Economic and Tax Environment and Identification of Potential Will Contests
Green Valley Country Club

News

July 20, 2023

Fox Attorneys Ranked in 2023 Chambers High Net Worth Guide

April 19, 2010

People In The News

April 1, 2010

Fox Rothschild Names New Office Managing Partners and Department Chairs in Pennsylvania, Florida and Delaware