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Mayer Nazarian is a business transactional and tax attorney uniquely trained with top regional and national tax firms. His clients benefit from his breadth and depth of accounting and legal experience, as well as exposure to a wide range of businesses and structures.

Mayer assists business owners in developing optimal tax strategies at all stages of an entity's lifecycle, from formation throughout operations, until sale or dissolution.

While tax is a significant part of Mayer's practice, he takes a holistic approach and recognizes that factors like income tax, estate tax, business transactional law, real estate law, family law, etc. may need to be addressed as well. Often, he'll bring in experts to work with his clients, adding value to the services he provides through his wide network of professional resources.

What motivates Mayer is the satisfaction of knowing that he has helped his clients by developing and implementing unique and practical solutions to their problems. By nature, Mayer is a problem solver. He relishes diving into complex issues, the uncommon situations that don't have quick and easy answers but require thoughtful analysis and technical expertise.

Mayer prefers to work with his clients before the tax authorities are involved, but he has successfully defended his clients against several taxing agencies, at the federal, state, county and city levels.

Prior to joining ECJ, Mayer was Chair of the Tax Department at CKR, a New York-based International law firm. He began his career as a tax professional with the accounting firm of Holthouse, Carlin and Van Trigt, LLP and went on to become a tax manager with Deloitte Tax, LLP. He then started his own law practice which later merged with a boutique tax and estate planning firm in Los Angeles.

EDUCATION

M.B.T., University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business

J.D., University of Southern California, Gould School of Law

B.S., Economics, Minor in Accounting, University of California, Los Angeles

PRACTICE AREAS

Business, Corporate and Tax

Food, Beverage and Hospitality

ADMISSIONS

California

U.S. Tax Court

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

LANGUAGES

Farsi

Spanish

Italian

Hebrew

HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

Best Lawyers in America, 2016-2021

Southern California Super Lawyers, 2021

Top Tax Attorney, *Avvo*

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

ProVisors (Professional Association of Trusted Advisors), Group Leader of the West LA 2 chapter

The Greater Los Angeles Chapter of the Exit Planning Institute, Leadership Committee Member

State Bar of California

American Bar Association, Taxation Section

Los Angeles County Bar Association, Taxation Section

Beverly Hills Bar Association, Past Chair, Taxation Section

Beverly Hills Bar Association, Business Law, Taxation, and Trust & Estates Sections

Sinai Akiba Academy, School Board and Budget Committee

Children's Music Fund, Treasurer

Bet Tzedek, Pro Bono Legal Services

CLIENT ALERTS

Ervin Cohen & Jessup LLP Welcomes Mayer Nazarian

12.16.2019

BLOG POSTS

IRS Issues Guidance on Business Meal Deductions

Legal Bites Taxing Matters, 04.16.2021

CARES Act: Tax Relief for Businesses

Taxing Matters, 04.02.2020

PUBLICATIONS

June 15th Filing Deadline for U.S. Taxpayers Living and Working Overseas is Here
06.12.2018

Innovative Tax Planning with Passive Losses
Co-Author, AICPA National Real Estate Conference

The Domestic Production Activity Deduction: Are You Leaving Money on the Table?
Lecture presented before professionals on valuable tax deductions for companies operating in the U.S.

Shakedown at Gucci Gulch: A Tale of Death, Money & Taxes
Researcher for publication by Edward J. McCaffery & Linda R. Cohen related to taxation and politics

Fair Not Flat: How to Make the Tax System Better and Simpler
Researcher for the book by Edward J. McCaffery related to the alternative tax structure

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Advanced Tax Planning Strategies to Save You Money
Los Angeles Consulting Group, Online Event, 04.01.2021