

# Tom West

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## EXPERIENCE

### **KPMG, LLP**

*Washington, DC - Principal*

*March 2019 - present*

- Frequent speaker, panelist, and commentator on tax policy and IRS/Treasury practices.
- Advises clients on federal tax matters and interpretations of regulatory and legislative guidance.
- Manages a group that focuses on renewable energy credits, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, and New Markets Tax Credits, among other areas.

### **U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of Tax Policy**

*Washington, DC – Tax Legislative Counsel (Senior Executive Service)*

*May 2014 – November 2018*

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy*

*January 2017 - August 2017*

- Managed the office at Treasury that oversaw domestic tax policy issues. Responsible for drafting and implementing tax regulations, developing tax policy recommendations and budget proposals, and coordinating with other components on important issues such as student loans, affordable housing, Puerto Rico financial aid, and FHFA conservatorships.
- Worked closely with IRS and EOP offices on ACA implementation and tax reform.
- Tapped by the outgoing Obama Administration to serve in an acting capacity in the role of Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy and managed a staff of more than 100 professionals during and after transition.
- Served as trusted counsel to the Secretary of the Treasury on all legislative and regulatory tax matters.
- Worked with all components of the Administration, Congressional staffers, and the JCT on tax-related matters.
- Responsibilities included hiring and promotions, as well as day-to-day management of staff.

### **Greenberg Traurig LLP**

*Washington, DC – Shareholder (partner equivalent)*

*February 2009 – January 2014*

- Worked on federal tax matters for client base that included: private fund clients; real estate investment trusts; middle-market clients primarily structured as flow-throughs; and inbound investors.
- Analyzed and structured complex cross-border investments, acquisitions, and dispositions.

### **Ernst & Young LLP**

*Washington, DC / McLean, VA*

*July 2007 – February 2009*

- Supervised highly technical corporate tax engagements, including: internal restructurings; post-bankruptcy planning for preservation of attributes; going-public transactions; and cash-rich spin-offs.
- Lead regional cross-service line initiatives on planning for distressed companies and sell-side due diligence.

### **PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**

*Washington, DC / Philadelphia, PA*

*August 1999 - June 2007*

- Lead significant engagements and supervised teams on various matters including: attribute studies; multi-national post-acquisition integrations; and internal restructurings involving cross-border and multistate planning.

## EDUCATION

**Georgetown University Law Center**, Washington, DC

LL.M. in Taxation, February 2006, *With Distinction*

**Temple University School of Law**, Philadelphia, PA

J.D., May 1999.

**Villanova University**, Villanova, PA

B.S. in Accountancy, May 1996.

## BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia.

Pennsylvania.