

WilmerHale Welcomes Experienced Tax Partner To Boston Office

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WilmerHale is pleased to welcome Matthew Schnall as a partner in the Boston office and a member of the Tax Practice Group. Schnall is a versatile tax lawyer who brings with him more than 20 years of experience handling complex tax issues for a variety of clients.

"We are very pleased to welcome Matt to the firm," noted WilmerHale Tax Practice Group Chair Kimberly Wethly. "Matt is extremely knowledgeable and engaged, with strong judgment and a client/team focus-qualities that will truly benefit his new colleagues and clients."

Schnall represents clients in tax controversies, transactional planning, administrative ruling requests, and tax regulatory compliance. Schnall boasts substantial experience advising clients on the tax aspects of mergers and acquisitions, spin-offs and split-offs, equity and debt financings, registered and private investment funds, business liquidations, restructurings and workouts, as well as international and partnership tax issues. He has handled tax controversies before a variety of state and federal tribunals and joins WilmerHale from the Boston office of a major law firm.

"WilmerHale is a highly successful and widely respected firm, I look forward to joining them." noted Schnall. "I have worked with and across from WilmerHale's tax lawyers in a number of contexts over many years. I have the utmost respect for them, and am excited to work as part of their team."

WilmerHale's tax lawyers are recognized globally as leading practitioners, while the firm has been consistently ranked by *Chambers USA* as a leading practice in Massachusetts. The firm's Tax Practice Group advises clients on the tax implications of domestic and international transactions and is widely known for work with tax-exempt organizations. The team is also fully versed in representing clients in seeking favorable guidance and rulings from the IRS and state tax authorities, and defending them in tax litigation and audits; as well as counseling clients in every industry on the design of executive compensation arrangements and on compensation and benefits issues in general.

Since 2004, Schnall has been recognized by *Chambers USA* as a leading tax lawyer in Massachusetts. He is also consistently ranked as a top tax lawyer by *The Best Lawyers in America* and among the list of *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*.

Schnall is an adjunct professor in the Boston University Law School Graduate Tax Program and speaks frequently on topics in federal, state and international taxation. He earned his JD from Harvard Law School and his AB from Harvard College.