Areet Kaila

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Partner

Tax
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Private Company Mergers & Acquisitions

Profile

Tax is a fundamental aspect of most business transactions and individual estate plans. Tax laws are complex, ever-changing and difficult to maneuver. While for most clients, the end goal is rarely tax-related, a successful outcome is often tax-dependent. As such, Areet helps individuals, businesses and tax-exempt entities plan for the future and achieve their goals while identifying and managing the tax risks.

Areet works with clients across a variety of industries, including real estate development, health and educational institutions, technology and manufacturing companies as well as charities and not-for-profit organizations.

An analytical and detail-oriented nature makes Areet a natural fit for a practice in tax.

Services

> Tax-effective corporate reorganizations, including estate freezes and restructuring for business succession purposes
> Tax-effective structures, including limited partnerships and joint ventures, for real estate development

> Tax aspects of corporate and commercial transactions, such as reducing tax liabilities arising on the sale of a business
> Creation, registration and operation of not-for-profit and charitable organizations
> Trust and estate planning services including setting up trusts (family trusts, alter ego and joint spousal trusts) and advising on trust transactions including restructuring and winding up

Having completed the specialized Canadian Professional Accounting In-Depth Tax Course, Areet has the foundation to identify and resolve intricate tax issues for our clients.

Her goal is to navigate complex tax rules so that clients do not have to spend more time than necessary dealing with tax matters and their focus can be solely dedicated to their business.

Credentials

Awards & Distinctions

> Bishop & McKenzie Prize in Corporations Law

Industry Involvement

> Secretary, Canadian Bar Association, Taxation Subsection, BC Branch
> Canadian Bar Association, Wills & Estates and Charities & Non-Profit Law Subsections
> Canadian Association of Gift Planners
> Canadian Tax Foundation, Member of the Annual BC Tax Conference Planning Committee

Community Commitments

> Board Member, Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau

Education & Call to Bar

> CICA In-Depth Tax Course Parts I, II and III
> Call to Bar: British Columbia, 2011
> Bachelor of Laws degree (with distinction), University of Alberta, 2010
> Bachelor of Commerce in Marketing, University of British Columbia, 2006

External Publications & Presentations

> Presenter, "Amending Trusts", Pacific Business & Law Institute, March 13, 2018
> Presenter, Business Owners & Tax: Tax Reform Impact seminar with Thrivewise, October 11, 2017
> Presenter, Private Company Tax Proposal: The Changing Landscape, Canadian Bar Association, Business Law Section Meeting, October 4, 2017
> Presenter, Essential Tax Considerations for Will and Estate Planners, Continuing Legal Education, May 2017
> Presenter, Real Estate Tax Changes and Their Impact on Estate and Trust Planning, The Canadian Bar Association Wills & Estates Subsection, November 2016
> Contributor, BC Probate and Estate Administration Practice Manual - 2016 Update
> Presenter, 2014 Federal Budget and its Impact on Spousal, Alter Ego and Joint Partner Trust Planning, The Canadian Bar Association Wills & Estates Subsection, January 2015