Scott A. Lavin

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Scott is a partner in the firm's Taxation & Wealth Planning Department. He represents individuals and fiduciaries throughout a full range of estate, tax planning, administration and business issues with a focus on lowering their overall taxes while achieving family objectives.

Scott advises clients on legal strategies for generational wealth transfer using sophisticated planning techniques, family investment vehicles and other innovative approaches that draw on his extensive background in real estate, corporate and tax matters.

He has advised multiple clients with significant real estate holdings and privately held investments on how to structure and organize their assets to protect, preserve and maximize their value, while mitigating tax exposure.

Scott also represents clients in contested estate and fiduciary matters involving accountings and other will and trust proceedings, advising beneficiaries and other parties on avenues that are available to protect their rights.

Estate and Tax Planning
Scott advises clients on a full range of planning vehicles, from wills, trusts and insurance plans to family limited partnerships, intentionally defective grantor trusts (IDGT), grantor retained annuity trusts (GRAT), residence trusts, charitable split interest trusts, asset protection plans, generation-skipping plans, dynasty trusts and prenuptial agreements.

Charitable Planning
For clients whose legacy factors significantly into their tax and estate planning goals, Scott coordinates the creation of private charitable foundations, supporting foundations, charitable remainder trusts, charitable lead trusts and helps with negotiating contributions to charitable institutions.

Complex Estate Administration
Scott counsels clients with particularly complicated estates on probate, asset valuations, disclaimers, income tax planning, accounting records maintenance, estate tax returns, post-mortem planning, beneficiary distributions, settlement of estates on a formal or informal basis and represents executors in estate tax audits with the Internal Revenue Service.

Services

- Taxation & Wealth Planning
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Fiduciary Litigation

- Trust & Estate Law & Administration

Before Fox Rothschild

Prior to joining Fox Rothschild, Scott was a Partner in the Estate Planning Group of a New York law firm.

Bar Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania
- Connecticut

Education

- Hofstra University (J.D., 1996)
- Villanova University School of Law (LL.M. in Taxation, 1997)
- Tulane University (B.S., 1991)

Memberships

- American Bar Association
    - Section of Real Property, Probate and Trusts

Languages

- Conversational French

News

March 30, 2020
Estate Tax Pro Joins Fox Rothschild In NY

March 27, 2020
Lawyers On the Move

March 27, 2020
Fox Adds Tax and Wealth Planning Partner Scott Lavin in New York