



John C. Goheen

Of Counsel

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John has more than 30 years of experience in federal, state and local taxation matters. His expertise also includes corporate law, partnerships and real estate. He structures complex transactions to take advantage of tax opportunities and avoid tax pitfalls. John also handles tax controversy work, including audits, protests and appeals. His experience extends to nonprofit issues, including exempt status. John has achieved the highest rating, AV Preeminent®, from Martindale-Hubbell® and has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

Education

- Dartmouth College (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1974)
- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., *cum laude*, 1979)
 - Editor, Georgetown Law Journal (1978-1979)

Bar Admissions

- Ohio

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association (*Taxation Section*)
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (*Former Chair, General Tax Committee*)
- Estate Planning Council of Cleveland
- Tax Club of Cleveland (*President*)

Awards & Honors

- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated – Martindale-Hubbell
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*, Litigation and Controversy – Tax; Tax Law (2003-2026)
- Named to the Ohio Super Lawyers list (2004-2006)

Practices & Industries

- Business Succession Planning
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Tax
- Tax-Free Exchanges, Tax Planning, & Economic Development Incentives
- Trusts & Estates
- Executive Compensation
- Health Care Business Transactions
- Business Law
- Health Care
- Health Care & Regulated Industries
- Real Estate Industry
- Real Estate

- Named a “Top Lawyer” by *Northern Ohio Live Magazine* (August 2003)
- General Chairman, Cleveland Tax Institute (October 1997)

Experience

- Has over 30 years of experience as a tax lawyer, counseling individuals and entities in federal, state and local taxation.
- Structures complex transactions to take advantage of tax opportunities and avoid tax pitfalls.
- Handles tax controversy work including audits, protests and appeals.
- Structures tax-deferred “like-kind” exchanges of various types of real property.
- Provides counsel to clients with low income housing tax credit and historic credit transactions.
- Experience in not-for-profit tax issues, including exempt status and unrelated business income issues faced by tax-exempt entities.
- Provides counsel to clients in connection with tax-exempt bond financing transactions.
- Structures tax-favored litigation settlements, including employment-related disputes.
- Involved in a transaction with an Asian sovereign wealth fund seeking to make its first investment in the U.S.

News & Media

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