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Overview

Scott Woody focuses his practice on tax planning at the state and local levels, while also handling tax controversies and any associated litigation. He has valuable experience in contract preparation and analysis, Tribal taxation, and matters and regulatory challenges related to federal and state agencies. This often involves assisting clients with effectively structuring business transactions and arranging personal financial affairs to minimize, defer, or eliminate tax obligations that align with a client's specific objectives.

Scott completed his undergraduate studies at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and earned his Master's in accounting and his Juris Doctor at the University of New Mexico. He has also obtained an LLM in taxation from New York University.

Education

- New York University, 2018 (LLM)
- University of New Mexico School of Law, 2017 (J.D.), cum laude
- University of New Mexico, 2017 (M.A.)
- New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, 2011 (B.S.)

Bar Admissions

• New Mexico, 2017

Distinctions

- Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch, 2025
- Southwest Super Lawyers, Rising Star, Tax Law, 2025

Memberships

• State Bar of New Mexico, Taxation Section, Board Member

Presentations and Publications

- "6 Tax-Related Do's and Don'ts for SaaS Startups in 2023," TechCrunch, October 2023
- "The Corporate Transparency Act: Preparing for the Creation of a Federal Database of Entity Beneficial Ownership Information," Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) Arizona Chapter Meeting, 2022
- "In the News: Recent IRS compliance campaigns and how the IRS is doing more with less," ABA Tax Bridge to Practice Series, January 27, 2021
- "The Riddles of E-commerce: Sales and Use Taxes Post-Wayfair Anything but Simplification," Lorman CLE Webinar, December 8, 2020
- The Regulatory Framework of Produced Water in New Mexico and Why N.M. Stat. Ann. § 72-12-25(B)(1) (2009) Should be Amended, 58 Nat. Resources J. 223, 2018

Related Experience

- Represented multiple clients before the New Mexico Administrative Hearings Office, in the local New Mexico District Courts, and the Federal District Court of New Mexico.
- Successfully represented multiple clients in challenging the enactment of various administrative regulations.
- Provided multi-state tax advice to clients operating in multiple states regarding the South Dakota v. Wayfair.
- Provided advice to multiple clients regarding potential concurrent jurisdiction of Tribal and state taxing authorities.