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OVERVIEW

Alex Hurt is an associate in the estate planning and trusts & estates group in the firm's Seattle office.

Alex's practice focuses on estate planning and trust and estate administration. This practice ranges tax planning, wealth succession and preservation strategies, multigenerational wealth transfer, asset protection, charitable giving, and general business and business succession planning. He also represents clients in probate proceedings and trust administration, as well as estate and trust dispute resolution. His practice includes both planning for clients' personal needs, and advising clients in their fiduciary capacities.

Alex is a native Washingtonian, growing up in the Edmonds area. He graduated cum laude from Seattle University School of Law and received a Masters of Law in Taxation from the University of Florida Levin College of Law. He currently serves as board member for Seattle Children's Next Generation Legacy Advisors, and previously served as a trustee for the Eastside King County Bar Association.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Alex joined K&L Gates as a third year associate in October 2018. Prior to joining the firm, Alex practiced in the same area of law at a small firm in Kirkland. He also worked for a law firm in Tacoma, travelling the country and speaking on the importance of estate planning, tax planning, and asset protection. While attending Seattle University School of Law, Alex completed a summer externship at the Washington State Board of Tax Appeals.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed, *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*, Trusts and Estates, 2020-2021
- Presidential Scholarship Recipient, Seattle University School of Law, 2010, 2011, 2012

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Director, Bellevue College Foundation, 2021-Present
- Member, Seattle Foundation's Professional Advisory Council, 2020-Present

- Board Member, Seattle Children's Next Generation Legacy Advisors, 2018-Present
- Trustee, Eastside King County Bar Association, 2017-2018
- Presenter, National Business Institute, Estate Planning: Top 7 Tools to Know – Tax Minimization Tactics: Portability, Step-Up Basis & More, November 2019
- Presenter, National Busines Institute, Wills and Trusts 101, Wills vs. Trusts, Pros and Cons, July 2019
- Presenter, Seattle Children's Hospital Philanthropic and Legacy Planning CLE for Professional Advisors, Avoiding a Family Feud: Legacy Planning with Special Needs Trusts and Charitable Giving, June 2018
- Presenter, National Business Institute, Trusts 101, Where to Begin? An Overview of Trusts, May 2017
- Volunteer, Outdoors For All (Skihawks)

EDUCATION

- LL.M., University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2014
- J.D., Seattle University School of Law, 2013
- B.A., University of Washington, 2010

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington
- United States Tax Court

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 3 January 2024, Tax and Estate Planning Opportunities to Consider Now
- 5 June 2023, New Washington Capital Gains Tax Impacts Estate Planning
- 21 November 2022, Year-End Estate Planning Update
- 28 May 2020, The Basics of Estate Planning

NEWS & EVENTS

- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Tax
- Estate Planning and Trusts & Estates
- Nonprofit Organizations

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Acted for the management team of Touchstone Group on its merger with Microgen Financial Systems (a portfolio company of Silverfleet Capital)