

Tax Controversies & Litigation

Related Practices

Business Services
Estate Planning & Administration
Federal Tax
Property Tax Appeals
State & Local Tax
Taxation

Overview

Dykema attorneys regularly counsel clients on a variety of adversarial tax proceedings including audit controversies, administrative proceedings and litigation. Our lawyers are not only experienced in handling complicated tax matters, but also in litigating tax cases—a rare combination of experience in today's legal arena. Drawing upon our unique wealth of skills, we are able to deliver the highest quality tax controversy counsel to our clients.

Our services include:

- Handling tax litigation in all federal and state courts, as well as the Michigan Tax Tribunal
- Handling administrative appeals at the Michigan Department of Treasury, including the State Tax Commission
- Appealing property taxes in all available forums
- Conducting state and federal tax audits
- Representing clients on income, gift, estate and other matters before the Internal Revenue Service in connection with audits and appeals
- Resolving disputes through legislation

Experience Matters

Our recent victories include:

- Winning a landmark use tax case that will save Michigan taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars
- Saving \$30 million in a federal corporate income tax dispute
- Obtaining nearly \$18 million in Single Business Tax Refunds
- Convincing the State of Michigan to withdraw an \$8 million proposed Use Tax Assessment
- Achieving a \$90 million true cash value reduction for industrial property
- Handling federal audits that resulted in no tax deficiency
- Reinstating a revoked tax abatement through state legislation

Publications

"Personal Property Tax Reform" (Co-author)
Fall 2013
Michigan Tax Lawyer

"Using Forensic Accounting in Trust Disputes,"
Spring 2013, Vol. 14, No. 3
ABA Commercial & Business Litigation

"Real Property Taxes in Michigan," (editor and chapter author)
October 24, 2011
Institute of Continuing Legal Education

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Speaking Engagements

Your FATCA Overview, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants Webinar
November 14, 2014