## Lawyer Tries To Persuade IRS it Doesn't Owe Him \$285K

NewsTodd Rothbard, a Santa Clara attorney, got a letter from the IRS a few weeks ago saying he miscalculated his 2019 taxes and was due more than \$284,000.

### Software CEO Robert Brockman Charged in \$2B Tax Evasion Case

NewsTexas tech mogul Robert T. Brockman has been charged in a \$2 billion tax evasion case, the largest ever tax charge in the United States.

# N.J. Corruption Scheme Involving Pay-to-Play Contracts Leads to Charges Against Law Firm Partner

#### News

The law partner of the tax attorney believed to be a cooperating witness in a sweeping New Jersey pay-to-play

corruption investigation has been charged with lying about thousands in political contributions made to secure lucrative municipal contracts.

# Am Law 50 Firm Demands Massive Tax Breaks, Sues Government For Not Handing Them Over

#### News

The Am Law 50 firm moved its headquarters to Philadelphia's Cira Centre in 2005, taking advantage of a tax break program that Pennsylvania offers businesses to move into developments in formerly run-down areas.

## As Trump Cases Arrive, Supreme Court's Desire to Be Seen as Neutral Arbiter Will Be Tested

#### News

The court will consider whether to schedule a full briefing and argument on the president's request that it overturn a

lower-court ruling giving New York prosecutors access to Trump's tax returns and other financial records.

# Trump Tax Return Case Confronts Supreme Court With a Momentous Choice

#### News

The court can agree to hear the case and rule by June, or it simply can deny review, leaving in place the appeals court ruling and effectively requiring Trump's accountants to turn over his tax returns.

### Rex Tillerson Back in Spotlight at Exxon Climate Trial

#### News

Tillerson is scheduled to make an appearance at the New York Supreme Court Wednesday to answer questions about missing emails and varying carbon pricing schemes.

### Hunton Andrews Kurth Adds Darren C. McHugh

#### News

Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP announced the expansion of its national public finance practice with the addition of Darren C. McHugh.

## Biglaw Firm Accused of Tax Error That Could Cost Bankers Millions, Report Says

#### News

The case involves an allegedly missed deadline for routine paperwork, according to sources and a report Weil commissioned on the matter, the NY Post reports.

## Blank Rome Adds Trusts and Estates Team in New York

#### News

Blank Rome LLP announced that Richard J. Miller Jr. and Sean R. Weissbart have joined the firm as partners.

## Trump's Sister Retires, Highlighting Judge Misconduct Loophole

#### News

The treatment of her case is not without recent precedent, and raises questions about a loophole in the conduct code for federal judges that allows them to avoid scrutiny by stepping down.

## Ex-NFL Player's Tax Lawyer Gets 3 Years for False Returns

#### News

Hiram M. Martin was charged with falsifying returns for Antrel Rolle, a former Pro Bowl NFL safety.

### REIT Tax Lawyer Cristina

### Arumi Returns to Hogan Lovells

#### News

REIT tax lawyer Cristina Arumi is rejoining Hogan Lovells, the firm announced in a release.

# Nissan Ex-Chairman to Get a Day in Court Almost Two Months After Shock Arrest

#### News

Carlos Ghosn has been indicted by Japanese prosecutors on allegations of under-reporting his compensation, according to Bloomberg.

### Local Taxation of Oil and Gas Activities Fails Again

#### News

The Texas Supreme Court issued four opinions addressing the taxation of compressors used to deliver natural gas into pipelines, according to a post on Gray Reed & McGraw's Energy & the Law blog.

## Transactional Tax Partner Jeffrey Tate Joins Arent Fox

#### News

Arent Fox LLP announced the expansion of its Tax practice in Washington, DC with the addition of partner Jeffrey Tate.

## Jorge Castro Joins Miller & Chevalier's Tax Department

#### News

Miller & Chevalier Chartered announced that Jorge E. Castro joined the firm as a member in the Tax Department.

# Fewer Lawsuits for Corporations, But More Oversight on Data and Tax Risk

#### News

Norton Rose Fulbright's 2018 Litigation Trends Annual Survey polled 365 senior corporate counsel representing US-based organizations on disputes-related issues and concerns.

### Committee on Ways and Means Tax Counsel Moving to Miller & Chevalier

#### News

Loren C. Ponds, former tax counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ways and Means, will join Miller & Chevalier as a member in the Tax Department.

# How IRS Taxes Kill Plaintiff's \$289M Monsanto Weedkiller Verdict

#### Insight

If you are the plaintiff with a contingent fee lawyer, the IRS treats you as receiving 100% of the money, even if the defendant pays your lawyer directly, writes Robert W. Wood for Forbes.