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Background

Before becoming a member of Whitaker Chalk Swindle & Schwartz, PLLC in December 2014, Michael Kaitcer was a partner with the law firm of Harvard & Kaitcer, LLP (formerly Bishop, Payne, Harvard & Kaitcer, L.L.P.). He had been associated with that firm since his graduation with honors from the University of Texas Law School in Austin, Texas in 1983. He is Board Certified in Estate Planning and Probate Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization with a practice involving probate administration and litigation, estate planning, Will contests, guardianships and estate and gift taxation, as well as assisting clients with business planning and transactions involving partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, and other entities. Besides being a member of the State Bar of Texas, he has also been admitted to practice before the United States Tax Court and the United States District Court for the North District of Texas. In 1992, he was a founding director of the Tarrant County Probate Bar Association and continued to serve as a Director through 1996 and again from 1999 to 2003. In addition, he is a member of the Real Estate Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas and a member of the Fort Worth Business and Estate Council. He has been an author and speaker at seminars put on the National Business Institute, Inc., the State Bar of Texas, and the Tarrant County Probate Bar. He is also a frequent speaker on Estate Planning and Probate for Civic and Professional Organizations. He is married to Elizabeth Anne Kaitcer, and has a daughter, Katharine Gwyneth Kaitcer, who is a graduate of the University of Texas in Austin.

Awards & Recognitions

Board Certified in Estate Planning and Probate Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization

Named a 2017 and 2018 "Top Attorney in Tarrant County" by *360 West Magazine*

Recognized as a Super Lawyer 2009-2019. Super Lawyers is a Thomson-Reuters service printed in Texas Monthly.

Recognized by Fort Worth Magazine as a Top Attorney in each year from 2007-2018

2014 Fort Worth Club Kiwanian of the Year

AV-Rated Marindale-Hubble, Preeminent

Areas of Practice

Business Planning

Estate and Gift Taxation

Estate Planning, Probate and Trusts

Guardianships

Will Contests

Associations and Memberships

President, Kiwanis Club of Fort Worth

Director, and Past Chairman, American Cancer Society-Tarrant County Board

Texas Academy of Probate & Trust, Member

Fort Worth Business and Estate Council, Member

Real Estate Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas, Member

Tarrant County Probate Bar Association, Member and Founding Director

Tarrant County Bar Association





Education

- Bachelor of Arts Degree in History, Magna Cum Laude, University of Dallas, 1980
- Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree, with honors, University of Texas School of Law

Bar/Court Admissions

- Texas Bar
- United States Tax Court
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas