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BIOGRAPHY

Richard Craig's practice encompasses wealth transfer tax planning; corporate, individual and partnership taxation; tax and corporate aspects of business transactions; and the litigation of tax matters in both state and federal courts.

Prior to attending law school, Richard worked as an accountant in both public practice and private industry. He has been a certified public accountant since 1981.

Richard has written numerous articles and papers and is the co-author of *Oklahoma Limited Liability Company Forms and Practice Manual*, a 14-chapter practice manual containing forms and explanatory text and analysis for lawyers, accountants, tax specialists, estate planners and real estate professionals.

In addition to being a frequent speaker and panelist on tax and related topics, Richard has served as an adjunct professor at the Oklahoma City University College of Law and the University of Oklahoma School of Law.

Richard is an elected member in the American Law Institute, a professional organization with a membership limited to 3,000 eminent federal and state judges, distinguished lawyers and respected law professors. His contributions to the Institute's mission of legal research and reform include membership and participation in the ALI's Third Restatement of Property (Wills and Other Donative Transfers) and Third Restatement of Trusts consultative groups.

Additionally, his achievements in the area of business, tax and family wealth law have earned him inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (tax law, tax litigation and controversy, trusts and estates, trust and estates litigation), *Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and *Oklahoma Super Lawyers* (tax, estate planning and probate) He was also named "Best Lawyers' 2012 Oklahoma City Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year," an honor only given to a single lawyer in each legal specialty in each community.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Actively involved in drafting the Oklahoma Limited Liability Company Act and obtaining Revenue ruling 93-92, which dealt with the federal tax classification of Oklahoma limited liability companies.

ADMISSIONS

- Oklahoma, 1985
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma
- U.S. Claims Court
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. Supreme Court

EDUCATION

- LL.M., New York University, 1984 (Taxation); Wallace Scholar; Graduate Editor, *Tax Law Review*
- J.D., with highest honors, University of Oklahoma, 1984; Editor-in-Chief, *Oklahoma Law Review*; Order of the Coif
- B.S., with highest honors, East Central University, 1979 (Accounting)

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Public Accountant (Inactive)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- The American Law Institute
- American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (Fellow)
- Oklahoma Bar Association (Former Chair, Taxation Section)
- Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants
- Oklahoma County Bar Association

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

- Norman Chamber of Commerce
- Leadership Norman