



# TAX SECTION

## STATE BAR OF TEXAS

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### 2021

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING TEXAS TAX LAWYER AWARD

The Council of the State Bar of Texas Tax Section is soliciting nominees for the Outstanding Texas Tax Lawyer Award. Please describe the nominee's qualifications using the form on the next page. Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Nominees must: (i) be a member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas or an inactive member thereof; (ii) a former full time professor of tax law who taught at an accredited Texas law school; or (iii) a full time professor of tax law who is currently teaching at an accredited Texas law school. In addition, nominees must have (1) devoted at least 75% of his or her law practice to taxation law, and (2) been licensed to practice law in Texas or another jurisdiction for at least ten years.<sup>1</sup> The award may be granted posthumously.

In selecting a winner, the Council will consider a nominee's reputation for expertise and professionalism within the community of tax professionals specifically and the broader legal community; authorship of scholarly works relating to taxation law; significant participation in the State Bar of Texas, American Bar Association, local bar associations, or legal fraternities or organizations; significant contributions to the general welfare of the community; significant pro bono activities; reputation for ethics; mentoring other tax professionals; experience on the bench relating to taxation law; experience in academia relating to taxation law; and other significant contributions or experience relating to taxation law.

Nominations should be submitted to Henry Talavera, Tax Section Secretary by email to [htalavera@polsinelli.com](mailto:htalavera@polsinelli.com) no later than April 1, 2021.

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<sup>1</sup> "Law practice" means work performed primarily for the purpose of rendering legal advice or providing legal representation, including: private client service; service as a judge of any court of record; corporate or government service if the work performed was legal in nature and primarily for the purpose of providing legal advice to, or legal representation of, the corporation or government agency or individuals connected therewith; and the activity of teaching at an accredited law school; and "Taxation law" means but is not limited to "Tax Law" as defined by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization's standards for attorney certification in Tax Law; tax controversy; employee benefits and executive compensation practice; criminal defense or prosecution relating to taxation; taxation practice in the public and private sectors, including the nonprofit sector; and teaching taxation law or related subjects at an accredited law school.

**NOMINATION FOR 2021 OUTSTANDING TEXAS TAX LAWYER AWARD**

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee Mailing Address, Phone, and Email:**

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**Description of Nominee’s Contributions/Experience Relating to Taxation Law (please attach additional sheets if needed):**

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**Nominator Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator Mailing Address, Phone, and Email:**

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