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Practice Areas

- Tax
- Tax-Exempt Organizations

Education

- University of Michigan
Law School
J.D., *cum laude*
- University of
Pennsylvania, The
Wharton School
B.S., *summa cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Michigan
- New York

Overview

Marko Belej leads our Tax practice group. He specializes in corporate and real estate matters, applying his extensive transactional expertise in support of all tax matters faced by our clients. From business owners acquiring a new company to the establishment of a new business anywhere in the United States, Marko provides sophisticated and creative tax solutions from beginning to end.

Marko advises clients on individual, partnership, corporation, and international tax issues, helping them structure transactions with the objective of minimizing tax liabilities. These include domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations, debt and equity offerings, and business entity formations. Known for asking key questions that dig deeper, Marko is able to anticipate concerns and recognize potential pitfalls before they arise. Marko works closely with other practice groups to ensure that every aspect of a transaction has been evaluated to mitigate risks and achieve investment goals both efficiently and cost-effectively.

Publications

- "OID and COD: TLAs for the Lending Partner," *Michigan Tax Lawyer*, Vol. XXXV, Issue 1 (2009)

Speaking Engagements

- "Welcome to OZ (Opportunity Zones)" presented to the Commercial Real Estate Roundtable, February 26, 2019.
- "Tax Efficient Exits: Two Opportunities for C Corporation Sellers" presented to Ann Arbor SPARK, January 20, 2014.
- "Advising Troubled Companies – A Brief Outline of Potential COD Issues" presented to the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, June 30, 2010.
- "The Domestic and International Aspects of Creative Business Entity Selection," panelist at the Joint Business Entities / International Tax Panel Discussion, 2008 State Bar of Michigan Annual Tax Conference, May 28, 2008.
- "Distributions and Allocations: Getting LLC Economics Right" presented in-house on January 24, 2008.

Affiliations

- Detroit Northeast Chapter of Legatus – Board Member

Recognition

- DBusiness Top Lawyers, 2014
- Super Lawyers magazine, Michigan Rising Star, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012