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Overview

Donald Johnson is a shareholder in Dentons Sirote's Birmingham, Alabama office, where he is a member of the Tax practice group. Don counsels business owners and businesses in areas of mergers and acquisitions, entity formation, and tax and business planning. He counsels developers and investors with regard to real estate income tax planning, including capital gain planning, like-kind exchanges, opportunity zone planning, tax incentives, and debt restructurings and workouts. Don represents taxpayers in connection with federal, state, and local tax controversies and audits and is a frequent lecturer on corporate taxation, partnership taxation, and like-kind exchanges.

Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®
 - Corporate Law (2016–2022)
 - Real Estate Law (2020–2022)
 - Tax Law (2012–2022)
- Alabama State Bar, Chair of Taxation Section (2019)

Activities and Affiliations

- Board Member, Federal Tax Clinic
- Alabama State Bar
- American Bar Association
- Board Member, Dentons Sirote (formerly Sirote & Permutt, PC), 2020–present

Presentations

- Speaker, "Flow-Through Entity and Basis Calculation and Exit Strategies," Georgia Tax Forum, December 2019
- Speaker, "Like-Kind Exchanges," Alabama Society of CPAs, September 2017
- Speaker, "Section 1411 – Affordable Care Act Tax Provisions," Georgia Society of CPAs, November 2014
- Speaker, "1031 Exchanges," Alabama Society of CPAs, August 2013
- Speaker, "Tax and Legal Issues Impacting Real Estate," Alabama CCIM Chapter, August 2012
- Speaker, "Hot S Corporation Topics," Alabama Society of CPAs Annual Meeting, 2012

Prior and Present Employment

- Dentons Sirote (formerly Sirote & Permutt, PC), 1997–present
- Adjunct Professor, University of Alabama School of Law, International Taxation
- Law Clerk, Judge Thomas S. Wilson of the 13th Alabama Judicial Circuit, 1995–1996

Areas of focus

Practices

- Tax
- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate

Industry sectors

- Family Office and High Net Worth
- Forest Products and Agribusiness
- Manufacturing
- Private Equity
- Professional Services

Issues and opportunities

- Dentons Sirote

Education

- New York University, School of Law, 1997, LL.M., Taxation
- University of Alabama School of Law, 1996, JD (cum laude)
- Auburn University, 1993, BS, *cum laude*

Admissions and qualifications

- Alabama
- US Court of Federal Claims
- US Tax Court

Languages

- English
- German