

Our Team Working Together

## KEITH J. BLUM

### Partner

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Keith Blum is a Partner and member of the firm's Business, Finance & Tax Team, resident in its Miami office. Keith advises clients on a wide range of tax, transactional, business and private wealth matters. These representations involve counseling of corporate, private wealth and other clients in tax and non-tax aspects of transactions, investments and other planning matters. Keith's practice includes: structuring and negotiating complex taxable and tax-free mergers and acquisitions; family office formations, operations and transactions; business organizations and operations; restructurings; equity financings; fund formations, operations and transactions; joint ventures; and other strategic alliances. His practice further includes tax-exempt entity formation, operations, and governance. Keith also supports litigators in matters relating to tax, accounting, auditing, and corporate governance, and has participated in a number of high profile corporate forensic investigations.

### Education

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LL.M. in Taxation, University of Miami School of Law  
J.D., Stetson University College of Law  
M.S. in Accounting, University of Florida  
B.S. in Accounting, University of Florida

### Bar Admissions

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Florida  
U.S. Tax Court

### Practice Teams

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Business, Finance & Tax

## Practice Areas

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Corporate  
Family Office  
Fund Formation  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Private Equity & Venture Capital  
Securities & Capital Markets  
Taxation

## Representative Matters

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- Advised casino resort operator on tax matters related to its international tax structure.
- Counseled South Florida premier shopping mall owner & operator in joint venture with two international shopping mall developers and operators in connection with the development of a large high-end retail mall in downtown Miami.
- Launched new family offices for several high-net-worth individuals in the global entertainment and corporate areas, designing tax-optimal structures to accommodate changing circumstances.
- Advised the private equity group of a Wall Street investment bank on the tax and non-tax aspects of the acquisition of an interest in a joint venture between several sports teams for the provision of sports related services and concessions.
- Advised cannabis logistics operator on tax planning in respect of its development and operation of its cannabis distribution and logistics business and its ultimate sale.
- Advised movie and television production company owned by two legendary producers/director in its restructuring.
- Advised \$20 billion private equity fund in various fund formations, seeding transactions, portfolio company acquisitions/divestures and other transactional matters.
- Advised a large tax-exempt professional society in connection with its merger with another similar tax-exempt professional society to create the United States' largest professional society in such industry.
- Advised group of broker-dealers in connection with their acquisition in an investment advisor roll-up transaction.
- Advised a variety of investment companies in the sale of portfolio companies to financial and strategic buyers.
- Advised South Florida based real estate company in connection with tax planning of development of low-basis high-appreciation real property.

## Awards & Honors

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- Recognized by Best Lawyers in America (published by BL Rankings LLC), Tax Law, (2023 – 2024).
- Recognized by The Legal 500 U.S., US Taxes: Contentious (2018 – 2019).

## Community Activities / Associations

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- Miami Children's Museum, Gala Committee (2024)

## In the News

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Law360 Features Keith J. Blum in, "Pillsbury Wealth Ace Jumps To Berger Singerman In Miami"  
May 30, 2024

Berger Singerman Bolsters Its Tax & Family Office Practice Areas With Addition of Keith J. Blum  
May 23, 2024

## **Publications**

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Co-Author, The S Corporation Answer Book, Ninth Edition, with Michael Kosnitzky, Sydney S. Traum

Co-Author, S Corporation: Planning and Operation, Ninth Edition

## **Events & Speaking Engagements**

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"S Corp Redemptions: Characterization, Tax Consequences, Application of Sections 302 and 301," Strafford  
Webinar

May 11, 2023

## **Prior Affiliations**

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- Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP
- Boies Schiller Flexner LLP
- McDermott, Will & Emery LLP
- Geiger, Kasdin, Heller, Chames, Kuperstein & Weil, P.A.