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Practice Areas	Tax Trust, Estate & Probate Private Client
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Professional Summary

George Damoose specializes in all areas of income, estate, gift, property, sales, use and excise tax matters at the federal, state and local levels, including sophisticated estate planning techniques. He also advises extensively on business acquisitions, dispositions and structuring business relationships and transactions, and on various corporate and other business entity matters. Mr. Damoose is a frequent lecturer on tax planning techniques to professionals as well as the general public.

Representative Matters

- Represented sellers in sale of a software business to a large public company.
- Handled power cooling company's acquisition of a company in a related business (strategic acquisition).
- Successful major tax controversy representation.
- Handled structuring of complex real estate (auto dealership property) acquisition/disposition.
- Expert witness (tax) in litigation.
- Represented retiring business owner in termination of his interests.
- Represents controlling shareholder in major restructuring of business entities and holdings for business and estate planning purposes.
- Represented major construction company in purchase of major competitor.
- Represented seller in sale of boutique grocery business.
- Represented seller in sale of medical equipment manufacturing business.
- Represented buyer in acquisition of a division of NYSE company.
- Represented seller in sale of lumber and home improvement business.
- Represented individuals in planning of significant estates, including closely held businesses.
- Specializes in closely-held business succession planning.
- Represents large real estate investment company.

Education, Distinctions & Community Involvement

Mr. Damoose graduated, cum laude, from Harvard College in 1959 and received his law degree with honors from Harvard Law School in 1965. He has been a Certified Law Specialist in Taxation, granted by the California Board of Legal Specialization, State Bar of California since 1973. Mr. Damoose is a past Chairman of the Executive Committee of the California State Bar Tax Section. He has also served as chair of the Taxation Subcommittee of the CEB Joint Advisory Committee.

Mr. Damoose is listed in The Best Lawyers in America. In 2006, he was honored by the California State Bar Taxation Section with the Joanne M. Garvey Award, an annual award given to one attorney in the state in recognition of his or her outstanding lifetime achievement and contributions to the field of tax law. In 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011, Mr. Damoose was selected for inclusion in the Southern California Super Lawyers® - San Diego list for Tax. He is also recognized as an AV rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell.

Mr. Damoose currently serves on the Board of Directors of the La Jolla Music Society. He is also a member of the vestry at St. James by the sea Episcopal Church.

News, Publications & Events

Recent News Coverage

- Sherwin, Doug. "Procopio Partner Root Named San Diego Health Care Lawyer of the Year for 2012 by Best Lawyers," *The Daily Transcript*, January 11, 2012.

Recent Articles/Publications

- Co-author with Jon P. Schimmer. "Advanced Solutions For Transferring Wealth When Interest Rates are Low: Grantor-Related Annuity Trusts and Charitable Lead Annuity Trusts," July 16, 2003.