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Rich assists high net worth individuals and their families with trust and estate litigation to facilitate the smooth resolution of estate planning and wealth transfer disputes.

With a professional background that includes both complex litigation experience and financial institution perspective, Rich has deep knowledge of the legal and financial repercussions of estate planning decisions and fiduciary administrative practices. He represents clients in matters involving probate and fiduciary litigation, including disputes involving trusts, estates, and protective proceedings. Rich assists clients with the development of personalized fiduciary solutions and plans for the management of multi-generational wealth, including the management of family dynamics and creation of family governance structures.

Prior to joining Holland & Hart, Rich was in private practice as a civil litigator at a prominent local firm, and most recently served as a Trust Officer at a major financial institution. Rich continues to work as a Director of a privately-owned trust company in Wyoming.

PRACTICES

Family Office and Trust Companies
Trust, Estate, Business Succession Planning, and Administration
Trust and Estate Litigation
Private Client
Tax Controversy and Litigation
Tax

EDUCATION

University of Colorado Law School, J.D., 2011

The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Private Wealth Management Program, 2012

Harvard Business School, Families in Business Program, 2007

Arizona State University, B.S., 2007
summa cum laude

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado
Wyoming

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Tax Court

PUBLICATIONS

"Justices Leave Questions Open On Dual-Purpose Atty Advice," *Law360 Expert Analysis*, March 6, 2023

"SCOTUS DIGs on Attorney Client Privilege Test for Dual Purpose Communications," *Tax Law Update*, January 23, 2023

"Fortify attorney-client privilege over dual-purpose communications before Supreme Court decides In Re Grand Jury," *Thomson Reuters Westlaw Today*, January 5, 2023

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"The Privilege is All Mine: The Fiduciary Exception to Attorney-Client Privilege," *9th Annual Trust & Estate Litigation Symposium*, 11/01/2022

"Avoiding Prepaid Litigation: Contracts to Make Wills, Prenuptial Agreements, and Divorce Decrees," *Will Contests CLE*, 10/06/2022

"Grand Tetons—The Next Grand Caymans," *2022 Holland & Hart Wyoming Tax Conference*, 05/19/2022

"State Income Taxation of Trusts," *2021 Holland & Hart Tax Conference*, 12/07/2021

"Legislative Update," *TEI Denver Chapter Federal Tax Day*, 11/03/2021

"Tax Controversy Essentials for Your In-House Team," *TEI Denver Chapter Federal Tax Day*, November 3, 2021

"Litigating Federal Gift and Estate Tax Disputes," *8th Annual Trust & Estate Litigation Symposium*, 10/27/2021

"The Role of the Personal Representative: Authority, Standing and Confidentiality," *Faculty, 13th Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Elder Law Retreat, Colorado Bar Association*, August 2021

RECOGNITION

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, Trusts and Estates, 2021-2024

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Bar Association, Trust and Estate Section, Member
- Denver Bar Association, Member
- Rocky Mountain Estate Planning Council, Member