

## **HOLLIS L. HYANS**

During her long career as a State and Local Tax attorney, Holly handled a wide range of state and local tax controversies, litigating and resolving state tax disputes across the nation. She advised clients at all stages of tax matters, from the earliest responses to initial audit inquiries, through dealing with audit disputes, filing administrative protests, and litigation where necessary. Holly is familiar with and has handled disputes in courts and administrative tribunals in nearly every state, in cases ranging from income and franchise taxes to sales and use taxes, personal income tax, utility taxes, unemployment taxes, and unclaimed property. She also advised on the state and local tax ramifications of various business transactions, and on tactics for reducing potential state tax problems before they arose. She won public-record victories in many states for well-known companies, and wrote extensively on state and local tax issues.

During law school, Holly served as a staff member of the New York University Law Review, and after graduation she clerked for The Honorable Pierre N. Leval, then a U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of New York.

At the end of 2021, Holly retired as a Partner of Blank Rome LLP, and before that, she was a Partner for nearly 25 years at Morrison & Foerster LLP. Holly continues to serve on the Advisory Boards of the New York University Institute on State and Local Taxation and the Vanderbilt University's Paul J. Hartman State and Local Tax Forum. She is currently a State and Local Tax Consultant.