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Nicole works with clients to resolve state and local tax controversies at the audit, administrative, and judicial levels and advises clients on state and local tax law in transactional matters. She represents clients on matters that implicate virtually every category of taxes, including corporate income and franchise taxes, gross receipts taxes, sales and use taxes, and transactions taxes.

She frequently delivers lectures on state and local tax matters and has presented at several organizations, including the Council On State Taxation, Tax Executives Institute, Energy Tax Association, and California Tax Policy Conference. In 2022, she was appointed to the Paul J. Hartman State and Local Tax Forum Advisory Board. Nicole was appointed to the New York Tax Appeals Tribunal Advisory Panel in 2018. She also regularly provides expert insights and commentary to the annual Bloomberg Tax Survey of State Tax Departments.

Prior to joining Blank Rome, Nicole was a partner at a leading Am Law 100 firm and served as a local state and local tax manager at one of the big four accounting firms. In 2006, she served as a law clerk for the Honorable Michael B. Thornton, U.S. Tax Court.

Recognitions

- 2019, “Rising Star” in Tax, listed in *Law360*
- 2018–2020, “Next Generation Lawyer – U.S. Taxes: Contentious,” listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2018–2022, listed in *The Legal 500 United States*
- 2021–2022, “Next Generation Partner – U.S. Taxes: Contentious,” listed in *The Legal 500 United States*

Outside the Firm

Nicole is a licensed bartender.

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EDUCATION

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University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, BSB

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American Bar Association

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