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Function and specialization

State and Local Tax
State and Local Tax Controversy
State Corporate Income Tax
State Sales and Use Tax

Professional associations

- Bloomberg Tax Advisory Board
- New York University SALT Institute Advisory Board
- Georgetown Advanced State and Local Tax Institute Advisory Board
- American Bar Association, State and Local Tax Executive Committee
- ABA SALT Sub-Committee Co-Chair
- ABA Tax Reform Steering Committee
- Federal Bar Association Tax Section – Annual conference SALT co-chair 2017-2020
- Institute for Professionals in Taxation, member

Education, licenses & certifications

- JD, University of Kansas
- Masters of Economics, University of Kansas
- BA, Economics, University of Kansas
- Licensed to practice law in:
 - United States Supreme Court
 - United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
 - Federal District Courts
 - Kansas State Courts

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Shirley Klenda Sicilian currently works as a consultant for KPMG on SALT Controversy matters. From January 2014 to June 2023, Ms. Sicilian served as National Director of State and Local Tax Controversy in KPMG LLP's Washington National Tax office. In that role, Ms. Sicilian supported KPMG's network of controversy specialists in every state and delivery of KPMG SALT controversy services nationwide.

Ms. Sicilian has been nationally recognized by her colleagues for her work in state tax. In 2023, KPMG's SALT practice presented Ms. Sicilian with a Legacy Stewardship Award for Leading with Impact. In 2022, Ms. Sicilian was recognized by the Bloomberg Tax Advisory Board with the Franklin C. Latham Award for Distinguished Service in State and Local Tax. Ms. Sicilian also received the Multistate Tax Commission's Paull Mines Award for Outstanding Contribution to State Tax Jurisprudence in 2013. And Tax Analysts - State Tax Notes named Ms. Sicilian as a finalist for its Person of the Year (2013), citing her as "one of the most influential legal thinkers in the field."

Prior Experience

Prior to joining KPMG, Ms. Sicilian was General Counsel for the Multistate Tax Commission, an intergovernmental tax agency whose membership includes forty-nine states and the District of Columbia. While at the Commission, Ms. Sicilian was heavily involved in updating the MTC Compact provisions containing the model Uniform Division of Income for Tax Purposes Act (UDITPA), and many other model state tax laws. Prior to her work with the MTC, Ms. Sicilian served as Director of Policy and Research, and then General Counsel, for the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Before working in the tax area, Ms. Sicilian worked in public utility regulation, serving as Chief of Economic Policy and as Assistant General Counsel for the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Publications and Speaking

Ms. Sicilian has been appointed to serve on a variety of advisory and deliberative boards; is a frequent writer, instructor, and speaker on state tax topics; and has authored several briefs before various State Supreme Courts and the U.S. Supreme Court. Her articles have appeared in various publications, including Bloomberg Tax, State Tax Notes, The Tax Lawyer, Proceedings of the New York University Institution on State and Local Taxation, and the Journal of Multistate Taxation. Her publications include co-authorship of the state corporate income tax chapter for CCH, authorship of the corporate income tax chapter for *State Business Taxes* – a periodical from Law Journal Press, and a book chapter for *The Allocation of Multinational Business Income: Reassessing the Formulary Apportionment Option* – part of a series on international taxation from Wolters Kluwer.