



SPECIAL EXPERTISE

- Tax Controversy
- Foreign Tax Issues

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Kathleen joined Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf, LLP (BPW) in 2017, as a manager in the tax department. She has extensive experience, both as an accountant and as a tax attorney. Specializing in tax controversy, she has successfully resolved taxpayers' disputes with multiple state and federal agencies. As a manager in BPW's tax department, Kathleen utilizes her technical knowledge and ability to work with government agencies to help clients resolve issues of tax controversy. Additionally, she is experienced in tax planning and compliance matters for individuals as well as businesses.

Kathleen is a member of the California Society of Certified Public Accountants (CalCPA), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountings (AICPA) and the California State Bar. Additionally, she serves on Notre Dame's Mendoza Graduate Alumni Board. Before moving to Santa Barbara, Kathleen was a partner with a tax law controversy firm in Sacramento. She has also taught accountancy at the University of Notre Dame and the University of California, Davis.

Kathleen recently passed the Certified Legal Specialist Exam in Taxation, thereby broadening her tax knowledge and qualifications as well as augmenting her abilities as an accountant. She graduated from McGeorge School of Law, *with distinction*; she earned a Masters of Business Administration in Taxation, *with high honors*, from the University of Notre Dame; and she holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in Accountancy, *with honors*, from the University of Louisville. Kathleen began her academic career at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD.

Since returning to Santa Barbara, Kathleen enjoys spending time at the beach with her family and friends. She serves on the finance committee at her local church, and she looks forward to getting reacquainted with everything wonderful about the Santa Barbara community.