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EXPERTISE

Daniel Schafer is a partner and certified tax expert with experience in administrative, contract and commercial law. He practises domestic and international taxation, with a special focus on corporate tax (including M&A, restructuring and relocation, and private equity), Swiss VAT and real estate taxation. Daniel further advises on tax and legal questions in connection with private clients (UHNWIs), as well as on real estate matters (transaction, structuring and acquisition). In 2022, he was recognised in corporate tax by Who's Who Legal's Thought Leaders guide for Switzerland.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

2008	Partner at Lenz & Staehelin
1999	Joined Lenz & Staehelin
2004	Certified Tax Expert
2001	Boston University (LL.M.)
1999	Admission to the Bar
1996	University of Hanover (M.L.E.)
1996	University of Fribourg (lic. iur.)

SPECIALIST AREAS

Tax, Administration, Commercial and Contracts, Private Clients, Real Estate

LANGUAGES

French, English, German

MEMBERSHIPS

International Fiscal Association (IFA), Swiss Bar Association (SAV), Swiss Fiduciary Chamber, Ordre romand des experts fiscaux (OREF)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Schafer D., National Report 2012 on Debt-Equity Conundrum, in: Cahier de droit fiscal international, IFA Boston Congress 2012
- Schafer D., Corporate taxation in Switzerland, in: IFLR China Outbound Investment Guide 2012
- Schafer D., Peter ., Taxation of Trusts in Switzerland, in: Trust Quarterly

- Review, Volume 6, Issue 1, 2008, 21-23
- Stahler O., Schafer D., Poskriakov F., Private Equity Fund Structures in Europe, an EVCA Tax and Legal Committee Paper, edited by SJ Berwin, January 2006
 - Schafer D., Can ., Swiss VAT system and its treatment of leasing as a supply of goods, in: International Tax Review - Indirect Taxes, n° 31, 4th edition, 2006, 47-51

REFERENCES

practical, pragmatic and very pleasant to work with

Chambers, 2021

very great, high-quality advice

Chambers, 2021

He comes highly recommended for his depth of experience and market-leading work in the tax sector.

Who's Who Legal, 2021

Brilliant mind, optimistic, reliable, one could only hope all counsels would achieve his level of dedication to his clients.

Legal 500, 2021

He keeps things simple to understand and gives you the big picture so you understand the solution recommended

Legal 500, 2021

a market-leading name who is recommended for his smart and sharp approach to cases

Who's Who Legal, 2020