



# Litigating a New York Tax Case From Start to Finish

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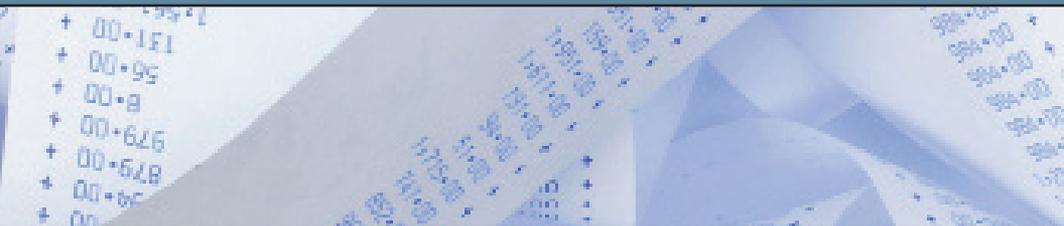
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Join us to learn what every business and tax practitioner needs to know about representing taxpayers in the New York State tax audits and appeal process.

We'll be joined by special guest **Kevin R. Law**,  
the Director of the Tax Department's BCMS Unit.

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**Who should attend:** CPAs, CEOs, CFOs, COOs, corporate counsel, and tax and financial advisors

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Or RSVP by **November 1** to Courtney Pfeiffer

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# Program Description

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The New York State Department of Taxation and Finance is currently engaged in aggressive audit and enforcement efforts involving sales tax, corporate tax, residency, and withholding. Handling one of these audits is more art than science and requires an understanding of the substantive issues as well as the nuances of practice and procedure. In this two-hour program, you will learn how to navigate your client through the audit and appeals process from attorneys who are at the front lines in these types of cases. You will also have the unique opportunity to hear from Kevin R. Law, director of New York's Bureau of Conciliation and Mediation Services. Don't miss this opportunity to better understand what goes on when you or your client gets audited.

**Topics to include:** Handling a tax audit, understanding the BCMS process, litigating before the Division of Tax Appeals, and traps for the unwary

## ABOUT HODGSON RUSS

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The attorneys in Hodgson Russ's State & Local Tax Practice Group are experienced in all New York State and City tax issues, including audit and assessment defense, business incentives, business succession planning, corporate structuring, income tax, energy taxation, litigation, lobbying, negotiations, and sales tax, and are well versed in multistate, international, and cross-border tax matters. In the past 10 years, when litigation was required, our attorneys won approximately 80 percent of the cases we've litigated in the Division of Tax Appeals and New York courts—a staggering figure in light of the statistic that taxpayers prevailed in less than 27 percent of all cases across New York State in the same time period.

Hodgson Russ has been awarded prestigious “Best Law Firm” rankings by *Best Lawyers/U.S. News & World Report* in the categories of National Tier 2 Litigation – Tax, Metropolitan Tier 1 Tax, and Metropolitan Tier 2 Litigation – Tax.

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# SPEAKERS

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**Timothy P. Noonan** concentrates his practice in state and local tax law with a focus on New York State and New York City tax issues. Mr. Noonan lectures frequently on New York State and multistate tax matters and is on the faculty of the Institute of Continuing Professional Education. He is a frequent speaker on the CCH webinar circuit and the author of a monthly column, "Noonan's Notes on Tax Practice," in *State Tax Notes*. Mr. Noonan has written on state and local taxes for a number of U.S. and Canadian publications.



**Elizabeth Pascal** concentrates her practice in tax law with a focus on New York State, New York City, and multistate tax issues. Prior to joining Hodgson Russ, she served as an intern for U.S. District Judge William Skretny in the Western District of New York. Before entering law school, Ms. Pascal was a professor of comparative politics.



**Kevin R. Law** Director of the Bureau of Conciliation and Mediation Services of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. Mr. Law began his career at the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance 1997 in the Litigation Section of the Office of Counsel where he held progressively responsible attorney positions litigating every tax type, with a primary emphasis on personal income tax and corporate franchise tax cases. Prior to such time he was an Assistant Counsel at the New York State Tax Appeals Tribunal where he drafted decisions for the Tax Appeals Tribunal. While in law school he also clerked at the New York State Tax Appeals Tribunal.