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Matt O'Kane has a broad background in federal tax, Florida state tax, estate planning and U.S. taxation of foreign investors. He counsels clients on a broad range of federal tax issues and business planning issues from entity selection and formation to dissolutions.

Matt advises clients on Florida state tax issues and represents clients in controversies involving the Florida Department of Revenue. He has lectured on Florida sales tax, documentary stamp tax and intangible tax.

He regularly counsels clients on a broad range of wealth transfer issues including estates, gift and generation skipping transfer tax planning, irrevocable trust planning, charitable planning, and family limited partnerships. He also advises nonresident clients with regard to their U.S. investments.

Recognitions

- Martindale-Hubbell Rating AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- *Awesome Attorneys, Orlando Family Magazine*, 2025
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Corporate Law, 2025, Tax Law, 2025, Trusts and Estates, 2025

Community Activities

- Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, Board of Directors
- East-West University, Board of Trustees
- Leadership Orlando, Alumnus
- The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida, Planned Giving Advisory Council
- Florida Citrus Sports

Practices & Industries

Business Structuring
Charitable Planning
Corporate
Estate & Trust Administration
Estate Planning
Family Business & Succession Planning
Nonprofit Organizations
Private Wealth
Probate & Estate Litigation
Tax
Wealth Planning
Wills & Trusts

Admissions

Florida

Education

- University of Florida Levin College of Law, LL.M. in Taxation, 1996
- Stetson University College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1991
- Loyola University of Chicago, B.A., 1988

Professional Certifications & Memberships

- Orange County Bar Association
- The Florida Bar

News

17 Lowndes Attorneys Named to *Orlando Family Magazine's* "Awesome Attorneys 2025"
02.13.2025 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Quino Martinez and Matt O'Kane's Article Recognized as a *JD Supra* Top Post in Real Estate and Taxation
01.07.2025

Lowndes Advises on ARGCO Northeast Acquisition by Core & Main
11.15.2024 | PRESS RELEASE

Best Lawyers Recognizes 59 Lowndes Attorneys in 2025, One Named Lawyer of the Year
08.15.2024 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

14 Lowndes Attorneys Named to *Orlando Family Magazine's* "Awesome Attorneys 2022"
02.15.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

12 Lowndes Attorneys Named to *Orlando Family Magazine's* "Awesome Attorneys 2021"
02.11.2021 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Joe Lane, Matt O'Kane Co-Write Owner-Direct Purchase Program Article for OCBA's The Briefs
06.29.2020 | PRESS RELEASE

Publications

Governor DeSantis Aims to Eliminate Florida Commercial Rent Sales Tax by 2027
02.05.2025 | ARTICLE

New Law Further Reduces Florida's Sales Tax Rate on Commercial Rent
04.12.2024 | LOWNDES LEASING LAWYERS BLOG

New Law Reduces Florida's Sales Tax Rate on Commercial Rent
10.18.2023 | LOWNDES LEASING LAWYERS BLOG

New Florida Law Expected to Significantly Reduce Florida's Commercial Lease Sales Tax Rate
05.10.2021 | LOWNDES LEASING LAWYERS BLOG

Hillsborough County Commercial Lease Sales Tax Rate Reduced by Recent Florida Supreme Court Decision
03.24.2021 | LOWNDES LEASING LAWYERS BLOG

Executive Order Provides PPP Loans Not Subject to Florida Doc Stamps Tax
04.07.2020 | ARTICLE

Florida Commercial Lease Sales Tax Rate Further Reduced
08.12.2019 | LOWNDES LEASING LAWYERS BLOG