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Mike is a Shareholder in the Phoenix, Arizona law firm of Milligan Lawless, P.C. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Mike practiced as a CPA for four years with Touche Ross & Co. (now Deloitte & Touche).

Mike's recent experience includes:

- Forming and planning all types of entities, including "S" corps, "C" corps, non-profit corps, LLCs, LLPs, partnerships (general and limited), and joint ventures;
- Sale of Businesses (Mergers and Acquisitions), including Asset Purchase Agreements, Stock Purchase Agreements, Joint Venture Agreements, and Tax Planning Related to Sale of Businesses;
- Estate Planning and Probate, including Simple Wills, Testamentary Trusts, Revocable Living Trusts, Health Care Power of Attorney, Durable Power of Attorney, Living Wills, Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts, Family Limited Partnerships, Qualified Personal Residence Trusts, Charitable Trusts, Special Needs Trusts, Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts and Defective Trusts;
- Taxation (Federal and State), including Individual, Tax Planning, Tax Exempt Entities and Foundations, S Corporations, C Corporations, Partnership and LLC Taxation, Tax Court Representation, IRS Appeals (30 and 90 Day Letters), Retirement Plans (Qualified and Non-Qualified), and ERISA; and
- Real Estate, including Real Estate Sales and Purchases, Residential and Commercial, Loan Drafting and Review, and Lease Drafting and Review.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Corporate and Business Law
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Estate Planning
- Probate
- Taxation
- Contract Review and Drafting
- Business Planning
- Real Estate Sales and Purchases
- Real Estate Leases
- Limited Liability Companies / Limited Liability Partnerships
- General and Limited Partnerships

EDUCATION

- Arizona State University, J.D., cum laude, 1989
- University of Colorado at Boulder, B.S., cum laude, 1982

ADMISSIONS

- Arizona, 1989
- US District Court, District of Arizona, 1989
- US Tax Court, 1990

PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

- State Bar of Arizona

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Av Peer Review Rating, Martindale-Hubbell Listed