



## R. Nicholas Nanovic

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### Bio

Nicholas Nanovic provides estate planning and tax law counsel to individuals and business owners. Having attained the designation of an Accredited Estate Planner® by the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils and an LL.M. in Taxation, Nick is uniquely qualified to handle complex legal matters.

Chair of the Estates team, Nick partners with his clients to design comprehensive and customized estate plans that meet his clients' goals. In estate administration matters, he guides executors and administrators through the estate administration process, providing counsel in simple estates as well as more challenging estates involving large debts, unpaid taxes, hard-to-sell assets, and difficult beneficiaries.

Nick also assists individuals and businesses in sophisticated tax matters, including personal income tax, business tax, gift and estate tax. He has represented these clients regarding audits of income tax returns, gift tax returns, and sales tax returns. He helps his clients negotiate their outstanding tax liabilities with the IRS and Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, including the submission of Offers in Compromise and application for installment agreement payment plans.

In the community, Nick serves on the Board of Governors of the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation. Passionate about the importance of estate planning for all individuals, Nick also volunteers with the "Wills for Heroes" program to provide free basic estate planning documents to first responders and military veterans in Pennsylvania. He currently serves as Coordinator for Lehigh and Northampton Counties.

The Pennsylvania Super Lawyers Magazine has named Nick to its Rising Stars list 7 times, including 2021, a distinction awarded to less than 2.5% of attorneys across the state. In 2020, Nick was also recognized by Lehigh Valley Business as one of the most outstanding young professionals in the Greater Lehigh Valley, joining their Forty Under 40 list.

## Areas of Practice

- Business
  - Entity Formations
- Estates
  - Elder Law
  - Estate Administration
  - Succession Planning
  - Wills, Trusts, POA's
  - Guardianship and Incapacitated Person
- Tax Law
  - Audits
  - Federal Estate and Gift Planning/Analysis
  - Pennsylvania Inheritance Tax
  - Tax Controversy
  - Tax Evasion
  - Tax Fraud
  - Tax Litigation

## Education

- University of Miami School of Law, LL.M. in Taxation, 2008
- University of Miami School of Law, J.D., 2007
- University of Notre Dame, B.B.A., 2004

## Professional Associations

- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Bar Association of Lehigh County
- Northampton County Bar Association
- Carbon County Bar Association

## Community Involvement

- Lehigh Valley Community Foundation, Board of Governors
- Wills for Heroes, Volunteer and Coordinator for Lehigh and Northampton Counties
- Estate Planning Council of the Lehigh Valley, Former President and Board Member

## Presentations

- "Estate Planning for Retirement and Beyond," Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA), April 2021
- "Demystifying Pennsylvania Inheritance Tax," CE Seminar for CPAs and CFPs June 2019
- "The Probate Process From Start to Finish," National Business Institute, August 2018
- "New Changes to the Tax Law – What Lawyers Need to Know," Carbon County Bar Association Bench Bar Conference, April 2018
- "IRS Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Program and the Offer in Compromise," November 2015
- "Cocktails and Case Studies: Succession Planning," October 2015
- "Pennsylvania's New Power of Attorney and Common Estate Planning Pitfalls," April 2015

## Publications

- "Before you rush into an M&A, know the tax traps," Lehigh Valley Business, March 2020
- "Why You Need an Estate Plan," Times News Carbon County Legal Guide, April 2010

## Awards & Recognition

- 2013, 2015-2021 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers Rising Stars
- 2020 Lehigh Valley Business Forty Under 40

## Industries

- Nonprofit

## Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- Florida
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. District Court  
Eastern District of Pennsylvania