Tax Controversy and Audit Defense

As states look to raise money to meet budgetary needs, state tax controversy and audits emerge throughout all spectrums of state and local tax, from income and franchises taxes, sales and use taxes, employment taxes and property taxes. Weaver's SALT professionals have the technical knowledge, the relationships with government officials to help you navigate this process and experience with resolving state tax disputes.

Weaver's services include:

- Managing the controversy and audit process including:
  - Working with state and local tax auditors to address issues as they arise;
  - Identifying potential overpayments to offset any tax assessment
- Analysis of documents (such as contracts) as they relate to the taxpayer's position
- Obtaining letter rulings to clarify the state's position on the taxpayer's specific facts
- Preparation of administrative claims and refund claims with appropriate documentation (if necessary)
- Working with state tax departments of revenue to facilitate the possibility of a nonlitigation result
- Representation at most stages of the administrative process (if necessary)
- Assistance in the settlement process
- Assistance with helping clients to take corrective action steps

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