



John Collins

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Whether it's providing comprehensive counsel or delivering deal-specific tax planning strategies, John can draw on his more than two decades of experience to deliver sophisticated legal guidance to high-net-worth individuals and families. He excels at working through complex tax, wealth transfer and business planning needs across a range of asset mixes, industries and stages of development.

A personable and thorough approach to representing private wealth clients

John has extensive experience creating complex generation-skipping and family dynasty trusts that span multiple generations, ensuring the preservation and efficient transfer of wealth. He has assisted prominent families in multi-phase estate planning, implementing advanced trust and gift strategies. John also advises on compliance engagements for ultra-high-net-worth families, guiding individual, corporate and gift tax returns. Additionally, he has experience with the probate of large estates, preparing both federal and state estate and gift tax returns, and overseeing the distribution of estate assets. John has also worked with family offices in various of stages of formation and onwards.

A thought leader in the tax field, John has co-authored numerous publications and is a regular speaker at national training conferences and client seminars, and has been an adjunct university professor.

Prior to joining Katten, he previously worked at a multinational professional services firm in its tax and estate planning practices.

News

- Katten Adds Top Tax Strategist to Private Wealth Practice in Dallas (February 10, 2025)

Publications

- John Collins, Zachary Arons Author *Lexis+ Practical Guidance* Article on Pre-2026 Estate Planning Considerations (May 19, 2025)

Practices

- Private Wealth

Industries

- Family Offices
- Private Client Services

Education

- JD, University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- BA, The University of Oklahoma

Bar Admissions

- Colorado
- Texas

Community Involvements

- All Stars Project of Dallas