



Allan B. Muchin

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Allan Muchin co-founded the law firm that bears his name. What began in 1974 as the 24-attorney firm Katten Muchin Zavis has today become Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, with more than 600 attorneys worldwide.

A visionary and entrepreneurial attorney

Allan began his legal career as a trial attorney for the Internal Revenue Service. When he helped launch Katten Muchin Zavis, he and his partners set out to create a law firm that was innovative, specialized and entrepreneurial. His practice concentrated on advising corporations, partnerships and wealthy individuals.

In addition to his legal practice, Allan has served as a director or active advisor to the board of directors for many privately and publicly held corporations, including Alberto-Culver Company and Columbia Acorn Investment Trust. As an owner and director of the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls, he maintains a close affiliation with major sports franchises.

Allan has long been actively involved in charitable and civic organizations. He has served as chairman of the board of directors of the Lyric Opera of Chicago and is the retired chairman and co-founder of the Noble Network of Charter Schools.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- Association of Fundraising Professionals
 - Chicago Chapter Philanthropy Awards
 - Executive Leader Award, 2013
- *Best Lawyers in America*
 - Corporate Law, 1989–2025
- *Super Lawyers*
 - Illinois, 2007–2011

Practices

- Business Succession Planning
- Charitable Planning, Philanthropy and Nonprofit Organizations
- Corporate Governance
- Private Wealth
- Transactional Tax Planning

Education

- LLB, University of Wisconsin
- BBA, University of Wisconsin

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Community Involvements

- Lyric Opera of Chicago
- Noble Network of Charter Schools

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News

- Firm's Founding Partner Allan B. Muchin Receives Visionary Award from Noble Network of Charter Schools (April 28, 2025)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized as *Best Lawyers®* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch®* Award Recipients (August 15, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished by *Best Lawyers®* (August 17, 2023)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers®* (August 18, 2022)
- Katten Attorneys Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America®* (August 19, 2021)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished as Top Legal Talent in the 2021 *Best Lawyers in America* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* Lists (August 20, 2020)
- 79 Katten Attorneys Selected for *Best Lawyers in America®* 2017 (August 15, 2016)
- 91 Katten Attorneys Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America®* 2016 (August 17, 2015)
- 85 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America®* 2015 (August 18, 2014)
- 83 Katten Attorneys Lauded in *Best Lawyers in America®* 2014 (August 15, 2013)
- 80 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America®* 2013 Guide (August 24, 2012)
- Eighty-Six Katten Attorneys Named 2012 Illinois Super Lawyers (February 28, 2012)
- 75 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America®* 2012 Guide (September 12, 2011)
- Five Katten Partners Included on 2011 Who's Who in Chicago Business (September 5, 2011)
- Five Katten Attorneys Named to *Crain's* Who's Who (September 2010)
- 70 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America®* 2011 (August 9, 2010)
- 66 Katten Attorneys Named to 2010 List of *Best Lawyers in America®* (August 5, 2009)

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- Loop's First Non-Selective High School Campus to Open in 2009 With Generous Support from Family of Katten Founding Partner (October 23, 2008)
- 50 Katten Attorneys Named to 2009 List of *Best Lawyers in America*® (September 23, 2008)
- 46 Katten Attorneys Named to 2008 List of *Best Lawyers in America*® (October 31, 2007)
- Four Katten Attorneys Named Among Who's Who 2007 by *Crain's Chicago Business* (September 20, 2007)

Publications

- 2024 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 26, 2024)
- 2023 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2023)
- 2022 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 17, 2022)
- 2021 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 22, 2021)
- Proposed Tax Legislation Would Dramatically Impact Private Wealth Planning (September 24, 2021)
- 2021 Biden Plan Estate Planning Advisory (January 15, 2021)
- 2020 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 24, 2020)
- 2019 Year-End Private Wealth Advisory (November 25, 2019)
- Katten Team Publishes 2018 Year-End Estate Planning Series (December 4–7, 2018)
- 2018 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 19, 2018)
- The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: Gift, Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax Reform (February 28, 2018)
- 2017 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2017)
- 2016 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 21, 2016)
- 2015 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 23, 2015)
- Eight Key Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from the Supreme Court's Decision on Same-Sex Marriage (June 29, 2015)
- 2014 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 26, 2014)
- 2013 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 2013)
- Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from Recent Revenue Ruling Concerning Marriages of Same-Sex Couples (September 3, 2013)

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- Estate Planning Opportunities Arising from Recent Landmark Supreme Court Decisions Concerning Marriages of Same-Sex Couples (June 28, 2013)
- Estate Planning After the Fiscal Cliff Deal (January 16, 2013)
- 2012 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 20, 2012)
- 2011 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 23, 2011)
- House Votes 277-148 to Approve Senate Tax Cut Extension Bill (December 17, 2010)
- 2010 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (November 2010)
- 2010 Estate Tax Planning Strategies—Once-in-a-Lifetime Opportunities vs. Potential Traps for the Unwary (September 21, 2010)
- HIRE Act Affects Foreign Trusts and Imposes Additional Requirements on US Persons with Foreign Accounts (March 24, 2010)
- US Government Acts Quickly to Help Haiti with Tax Benefits for Donors (February 2, 2010)
- Hooray, There's No Estate Tax: Now What Do I Do? (January 7, 2010)
- Possible One-Year Elimination of Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax in 2010: Going, Going, Gone? (December 23, 2009)
- 2009 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (December 2009)
- Illinois Passes State QTIP Legislation—Does Your Estate Plan Need to Be Updated to Take Advantage? (September 28, 2009)
- Changes to New York Powers of Attorney Effective September 1 (July 28, 2009)
- 2008 Year-End Estate Planning Advisory (December 2008)
- New Expatriation Legislation Passed Unanimously by Congress and Signed by President (June 2008)