

Meadows Collier announces two picks for D Magazine's "Best Lawyers Under Forty".



Meadows Collier congratulates Mary E. Wood and Brian J. Spiegel on their selection to D Magazine's 2017 list of "Best Lawyers Under Forty". In its inaugural year created by D Magazine, the list recognizes the city's young talents practicing in the law profession. Honorees are featured in the January 2018 issue of the magazine.



Mary E. Wood, *J.D. , Partner*

Ms. Wood's practice concentrates on resolving federal and state tax controversies, and white collar crime such as securities, tax and bank fraud. She represents individuals, closely-held businesses, and large corporations in IRS audits, appeals, and litigation in the United States Tax Courts, Federal District Courts and United States Court of Federal Claims. Ms. Wood also represents taxpayers in disputes with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and other state tax agencies. She represents individuals and entities in business disputes and lawsuits involving fraud, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, deceptive trade practices act violations, non-competive violations, business torts, and other commercial disputes. Ms. Wood was quoted in the article, "Texas Oil Driller Settles \$618M IRS Dispute In Tax Court", in Law 360 on January 19, 2018. She was also quoted in the article, "Self-Serving Concessions and Penalty Avoidance", in Tax Notes on March 26, 2012. She received her J.D., with honors, from the University of Texas School of Law and her undergraduate degree in Accounting from Texas A&M University. She has received other recognitions as a tax attorney and speaks frequently on tax controversy issues. Mary can be reached at mwood@meadowscollier.com.



Brian J. Spiegel, *J.D., LL.M. , Associate*

Mr. Spiegel practices in the areas of Income Tax Litigation, White Collar and Government Regulatory Litigation, Estate and Gift Tax Litigation, and State Tax Planning and Litigation. He represents individuals, estates, partnerships, closely-held businesses, and large corporations in all stages of a tax dispute, including IRS examinations, administrative appeals, and litigation in U.S. Tax Court, Federal District Court, and the Court of Federal Claims. His practice also concentrates on resolving white collar criminal investigations and representing taxpayers in disputes with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and other state tax agencies. His experience includes U.S. v. Marshall, 798 F.3d 296, 315-21 (5th Cir. 2015) (Majority Opinion by Judge Owen). Mr. Spiegel was a Law Clerk for The Honorable Juan F. Vasquez, United States Tax Court, Washington, D.C., 2010-2012. Brian received his LL.M. in Taxation from New York University School of Law and his J.D., cum laude, from Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law where he was Order of the Coif. He has received other recognitions as a tax attorney including Best Lawyers in Dallas, D Magazine in Tax Litigation, 2016. Brian can be reached at bspiegel@meadowscollier.com.



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