Cheryl L. Ritter

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Cheryl Ritter assists clients in the development and implementation of estate and gift planning matters including wills, trusts, financial powers of attorney, living wills, and health care agent designations. In this role, Cheryl counsels individual clients on the tax-efficient transfer of wealth using a variety of strategies, including dynasty trusts, life insurance trusts (individual and survivorship), qualified personal residence trusts, grantor retained annuity trusts, charitable trusts, limited liability companies, and sales to intentionally defective grantor trusts, among others. Cheryl develops estate plans tailored to the specific needs and goals of each client, considering factors such as the unique asset mixes of high-net-worth individuals and the distinct relationships within clients' families.

Cheryl is also experienced in trust and estate administration and has researched and addressed complex issues with respect to income taxation of trusts and estates. Additionally, she has been involved with the preparation of necessary federal and state tax returns, including estate tax, gift tax, and generation-skipping transfer tax returns, as well as post-mortem tax planning strategies, such as disclaimers.

Prior to joining Brach Eichler, while a law student at Seton Hall University School of Law, Cheryl served as an extern for the Internal Revenue Service, Office of Chief Counsel, researching significant tax issues.

AWARDS

INDUSTRIES

- Family Business
- Nonprofit

EDUCATION

- New York University, LL.M., Taxation
- Seton Hall University School of Law, J.D.
- The College of New Jersey, B.A.

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, New Jersey State Bar Association

Insights

Alerts - *February 2, 2026*

IRS CP261 Reminder: Subchapter S Salary & Payroll Tax Requirements

Awards - *August 21, 2025*

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Awards - *July 29, 2025*

2025 Chambers High Net Worth Guide Recognizes Brach Eichler Trusts and Estates Department and Co-Chair Susan K. Dromsky-Reed for Private Wealth Law

Blogs - *May 8, 2025*

Tax Court Examines Discounted Cash Flow Valuation and Tax Affecting in Recent Decision

Events - *March 27, 2025*

Inheritance Tax Returns and Gift Tax Returns: CPE Seminar for Accountants – May 13, 2025

Events - *December 20, 2024*

Brach Eichler and APALA present: Financial Planning for Lawyers

Alerts - *March 11, 2024*

Tax Alert | Contemporaneous Written Acknowledgement and Qualified Appraisal

Alerts - *February 26, 2024*

Tax Alert | Tax Court Guidance on Charitable Contributions and Assignment of Income

Alerts - *February 12, 2024*

Tax Alert | Strict Compliance or Substantial Compliance for Gift Tax Returns?

Alerts - *February 5, 2024*

Tax Alert | House passes H.R. 7024-Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024