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[J.D. University of Arizona; LL.M. (Taxation) University of Florida] is a Professor of Law at Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia. Prior to joining the Georgia State faculty in 2012, he was on the faculty at the University of Washington School of Law for 13 years. During his tenure at the University of Washington, he was a five-time recipient of the Philip A. Trautman Professor of the Year award from the School of Law's Student Bar Association. Professor Donaldson served for two years as Associate Dean for Academic Administration and for six years as the Director of the law school's Graduate Program in Taxation. He teaches a number of tax and estate planning courses, as well as courses in the areas of property, commercial law and professional responsibility. Professor Donaldson is an Academic Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) and a member of the Bar in Washington, Oregon, and Arizona. Among his scholarly works, he is a co-author of the popular West casebook, *Federal Income Tax: A Contemporary Approach*, and a co-author of the *Price on Contemporary Estate Planning* treatise published by Wolters Kluwer. Professor Donaldson has served as the Harry R. Horrow Visiting Professor of International Law at Northwestern University and a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. An amateur crossword constructor, his puzzles have been published in *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and other outlets. A perennial contender for *People Magazine's* "Sexiest Man Alive" honor, Professor Donaldson was recently notified by email of his selection to receive substantial sums of money from high-level Nigerian business officials in exchange for his bank account information.



ERIC L. GREEN, ESQ.

Eric is a managing partner in Green & Sklarz LLC, a boutique tax firm with offices in Connecticut and New York. The focus of Attorney Eric L. Green's practice is civil and criminal taxpayer representation before the Department of Justice Tax Division, Internal Revenue Service and state Departments of Revenue Services. He is a frequent lecturer on tax topics for many national organizations, including Insightful Accountant, CCH, the NAEA, the NATP, the ABA Tax Section and the Connecticut Society of CPAs. Attorney Green has served as adjunct faculty at the *University of Connecticut School of Law*. He is the author and lecturer of the *University of Connecticut IRS Representation Certificate Program*, and has served as a columnist for *CCH's Journal of Practice & Procedure*. He is the founder of *Tax Rep LLC* which coaches accountants and attorneys on building their own IRS Representation practices, and is the host of the weekly *Tax Rep Network Podcast*.

Mr. Green is the author of *The Accountant's Guide to IRS Collection*, *The Accountant's Guide to Resolving Tax Debts* and *The Accountant's Guide to Resolving Payroll Tax Debts*. He is a contributing author for *Advocating for Low Income Taxpayers: A Clinical Studies Casebook, 3rd Edition*, and has also been quoted in *USA Today*, *Consumer Reports*, *The Wall Street Journal's Market Watch*, *TheStreet.com*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *CreditCard.com*.

Prior to practicing law Attorney Green served as a senior tax consultant for KPMG and Deloitte & Touche.

Attorney Green was the 2010 Nolan Fellow of the American Bar Association and has served as Chair of the American Bar Association's Closely Held Businesses Tax Committee. Attorney Green is a past Chair of the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Bar Association's Tax Section. Eric is a Fellow of the *American College of Tax Counsel* ("ACTC").

Attorney Green is also a member of the Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York Bar Associations, as well as the American Bar Association. Attorney Green is admitted to practice in Massachusetts, New York and Connecticut Superior Courts, the United States Tax Court, The Federal Court of Claims and the Federal District Court for Connecticut. Attorney Green received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting with a minor in International Business from Hofstra University and is an honors graduate from New England School of Law. He earned a Masters of Laws in Taxation (LL.M.) from Boston University School of Law.

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Deputy Commissioner for Collection & Operations Support

As the SB/SE Deputy Commissioner for Collection and Operations Support, Darren provides executive leadership for over 9,200 employees. He directs the design, development and delivery of Collection programs and policy in support of comprehensive tax administration and oversees civil investigations and enforcement affecting millions of taxpayers with delinquent accounts. In Operations Support his responsibilities include providing expertise and direction for special projects covering major segments of SB/SE's mission and the division's \$2.2 billion budget. He also has oversight of Service-wide disaster assistance and the National Fraud Program in providing support and coordination for all IRS efforts in detecting and deterring tax fraud.

Darren's prior positions included serving as director of the following: Field Collection Operations, Enterprise Collection Strategy, Appeals Field Operations, ACA Compliance Strategy and Policy, and Midwest Area Collection. He began his IRS career as a revenue officer and holds a bachelor's degree from Our Lady of Holy Cross College, is a Fellow of the Loyola University Institute of Politics and was awarded the Certificate in Public Leadership by the Brookings Institution.



Karen Hawkins, Attorney

Karen L. Hawkins is the Director of the IRS Office of Professional Responsibility. Prior to taking this position in April, 2009, Hawkins was in private practice at the Oakland, California law firm of Taggart & Hawkins where she specialized in civil and criminal tax controversy cases for nearly 30 years. She has been a frequent speaker and writer on a variety of diverse tax law topics including: Innocent Spouse Relief, Attorney's Fees Awards; Collection Due Process; Civil and Criminal Tax Penalties; Tax Court Litigation; International Tax issues and Ethics in Tax Practice. Hawkins has a number of reported precedent-setting tax cases to her credit in the US Tax Court and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Hawkins earned her J.D. and MBA - Taxation degrees at Golden Gate University in San Francisco. She also holds a M.Ed. from the University of California, Davis Among her many honors and awards are: V. Judson Kelin Award from the California Bar's Taxation Section and the National Pro Bono Award from the ABA's Taxation Section.



Chief James Lee

IRS Criminal Enforcement

Effective October 1, James Lee became the new chief of IRS Criminal Enforcement. Chief Lee has spent 25 years with the organization, where he has served as the Director of Field Operations, Northern Area and the Director of Field Operations, Southern Area, and the Director, Strategy. Chief Lee began his career as a special agent in Detroit in 1995. He then moved into CI leadership ranks where he worked in various positions in New Orleans, Boston, and Chicago.