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Areas of Practice

Tax Law

Trust & Estates

Trust, Estate & Fiduciary
Litigation

Bar Admissions

California (2019)

Education

University of San Francisco
School of Law, LL.M., Taxation
Law (2020); Dean's List Fall
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Santa Clara University School
of Law, J.D. (2019)

University of Puget Sound,
B.A., Economics, dual minors
in Politics & Government and
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Professional Background

James Chisel is a member of the Trust & Estates Practice Group and Tax Law Practice Group. His practice area is focused on the planning, creation and administration of trusts and estates. James's experience includes preparing comprehensive estate plans for married and single clients, assisting clients with trust and decedent estate administration for taxable and nontaxable estates, and representing clients in *ex parte* probate proceedings. He has drafted a comprehensive range of documents including probate court documents, deeds and documentation related to property transfers within estates, and documents for trust and estate administration such as certifications of trust, inventory and appraisals, and beneficiary receipts and releases.

James has also prepared estate and gift tax returns and researched state property tax issues, federal tax issues, and other estate planning, probate, and tax matters.

James's background includes serving as a Summer Intern for the Honorable Barry L. Breslow and the Honorable Frances Doherty of the Second Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada in Reno.



Awards and Recognitions

- University of San Francisco School of Law (LL.M.) -- CALI Award Federal Tax Procedure & Professional Responsibility; Anderson Tax Award which is given to one graduate LL.M. student each year for "superior academic performance in the tax curriculum with demonstrated commitment to the field"
- Santa Clara University School of Law (J.D.) -- CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Family Wealth Management



Certifications

- High Tech Law Certificate, Santa Clara University School of Law
- LexisNexis Professional Research Certification
- Washington State Beekeeping Association, Journeyman
- American Sailing Association, Basic Keelboat Sailing



Professional Affiliations

- Washoe County Bar Association
- San Mateo County Bar Association
- Silicon Valley Bar Association