
San Francisco (January 11, 2019): Shartsis Friese LLP is pleased to announce that leading tax attorney [Dashiell Shapiro](#) has joined the firm as Tax Counsel in its Business Department.

"We are very pleased to welcome Dashiell to our practice," said [Arthur J. Shartsis](#), the firm's founding partner. "He has made a significant name for himself in tax controversy matters and tax-related transactions, and we look forward to his continued success and achievements as a lawyer at Shartsis Friese."

Mr. Shapiro joins Shartsis Friese from Wood LLP, where he advised individuals and business entities on a broad range of federal, state, and international tax planning and tax controversy matters. He has successfully represented individuals and companies at all stages of tax controversy, from sensitive audit inquiries to administrative protests and appeals. He has significant experience litigating matters before California's Board of Equalization and Office of Tax Appeals, the United States Tax Court, and in federal district courts in both civil and criminal tax matters.

Prior to moving into private practice, Mr. Shapiro spent seven years at the U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division litigating tax controversies in federal courts across the country. At the Department of Justice, he gained broad experience in all aspects of tax controversy including trial work and evidentiary hearings, depositions and written discovery, pleadings, motions practice, appeals, and settlements. For his achievements, the Department of Justice awarded Mr. Shapiro a Special Commendation Award and an Outstanding Trial Attorney Award.

Mr. Shapiro regularly publishes articles on tax litigation, the tax treatment of cryptocurrency transactions, and the taxation of financial products and investments.

A native of the San Francisco bay area, Mr. Shapiro received his undergraduate degree and law degree from the University of Chicago.

Founded in San Francisco in 1975, Shartsis Friese LLP has over 60 lawyers. The firm has extensive trial and business litigation experience, including securities enforcement defense, and a complex transactional practice focused on investment advisers, hedge funds, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities, family wealth planning, tax, venture capital, intellectual property and real estate.