# STEPHEN D. LASSAR, CPA\*, JD, LLM

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Stephen Lassar is a partner in the Firm's New York City office. As a trusted advisor and business counselor, he successfully helps clients plan their current and future estate planning and business needs.

Mr. Lassar has been practicing public accounting for more than 35 years. His area of expertise includes working with real estate entities, international companies, closely-held corporations, partnerships, limited and general partnerships, and limited liability companies in the areas of tax compliance and entity structuring as well as working with business principals and high worth individuals on a wide range of estate planning tools to help transfer wealth from generation to generation.

In addition to the above, Mr. Lassar has extensive experience in the fragrance and cosmetic industry. He is currently working on a unique study that provides businesses with data that will be helpful for benchmarking, and increase competitive and forecasting strategies for the industry.

Mr. Lassar joined the Firm in 2007. Previously, he was a director with a publicly-traded accounting and financial services company. His earlier experience includes serving as a Partner in his own accounting firm, as well as a past lecturer on various estate planning matters and leading continuing professional education courses.

### **Professional & Civic Affiliations**

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants (NYSSCPA)
Estate Planning Committee, Past Chairman
New York State Bar Association

#### **Articles & Presentations**

- "Trust-Owned Life Insurance: Policy Review and Funding Techniques," CPA Journal (February 2007)
- "Wealth Preservation: Five Strategies," CPA Journal (September 2002)
- "Income in Respect of a Decendent," CPA Journal (September 1997)



## **EXPERTISE**

- Trusts & Estates
- Corporate Taxation
- Divorce Taxation

# **INDUSTRY FOCUS**

- High Net-Worth Individuals
- ► Closely-Held Businesses
- Family Owned Companies
- Real Estate
- Manufacturing

### **EDUCATION**

- Masters of Law, Taxation, New York University, Graduate School of Law
- Juris Doctor, Law Brooklyn Law School
- Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting City College

