

Simpson Thacher Deepens Tax Bench with Registered Funds Partner in New York

New York—August 4, 2025—Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP today announced that Ari Zak has joined the Firm's New York office as a Partner in the Tax Practice.

"We are very excited to have Ari join us. His deep legal acumen across the full spectrum of tax issues impacting registered funds will immediately benefit our long-standing asset manager clients," said Nancy Mehlman, Co-Head of the Firm's Tax Practice.

"As our Registered Funds Practice continues to grow, Ari's expertise will expand our abilities to work with our team to continue to advise clients in the sector on the complex tax matters impacting their businesses," said Marcy Geller, Co-Head of the Firm's Tax Practice.

Ari focuses his practice on the taxation of investment funds and their investors, particularly on matters relating to mutual funds, closed-end funds, exchange-traded funds, business development companies and variable insurance funds. He also advises on matters relating to private investment funds, including debt funds and private equity funds, in addition to transactional matters involving clients in the financial services industry.

"I am excited to join Simpson Thacher and the Tax Practice, which is well known for advising the world's top asset managers," said Ari. "I look forward to working with my new colleagues across tax, registered funds and the rest of the Firm."

Simpson Thacher's Tax Practice is continuously called upon by investment funds, banks, multinational corporations and other leading companies for advice on their largest and most complex transactions. The global team works closely with colleagues in all of the Firm's transactional practices including Mergers and Acquisitions, Private Equity, Capital Markets, Investment Funds and Real Estate to offer clients the full spectrum of deal and fund capabilities.

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