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**Primary Practice Areas**

- Taxation
- Corporations, Partnerships and Limited Liability Companies
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Contracts
- Commercial Borrowing
- Real Estate
- Asset Protection
- Estate Planning, Wills and Trusts
- Probate

**Education**

- University of Miami, LL.M., 1993
- University of Tennessee, J.D., 1992
- University of Tennessee, B.A. 1989

**Bar Admissions**

- Tennessee, 1993

**Accolades**

- Serves as Chief Manager of Woolf, McClane, Bright, Allen & Carpenter, PLLC
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Trusts and Estates since 2019
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) since 2020
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Mergers and Acquisitions Law since 2021
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Corporate Law and Tax Law for 2024
- Named Lawyer of the Year for Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships) in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for 2021 and 2024
- Named Lawyer of the Year for Mergers and Acquisitions Law in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for 2023
- Voted a Top Attorney in Knoxville in *CityView* magazine
- Member, University of Tennessee Chancellors Associates
- Women's Basketball Hall of Fame Board Member
- Leadership Knoxville Class of 2018
- Knoxville Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors, 2009-2014

## **Richard Matlock Biography**

Richard Matlock is a member of the firm whose practice is primarily in the areas of federal, state and local tax planning and controversies, corporate law, business formations, mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, real estate, estate planning, business succession planning, and probate matters.

The primary focus of Mr. Matlock's practice is the representation of individuals, limited liability companies, partnerships, and corporations in various business transactions with a strong emphasis on federal and state tax planning. Mr. Matlock's transactional practice encompasses assisting clients with business formations, mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, buy-sell agreements, like-kind exchanges, leases, and general day-to-day business matters. Mr. Matlock also advises small and large businesses with respect to the federal and state tax issues arising from these and other types of business transactions.

In addition, Mr. Matlock's practice focuses on estate planning, business succession planning, wealth transfer planning, asset protection, and probate matters. Mr. Matlock drafts wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, and the other documents necessary for clients to implement their estate and business succession planning.

Mr. Matlock also represents clients in federal and state tax litigation and audits. These tax controversies include federal income, estate and gift taxes, as well as state sales and use taxes, franchise and excise taxes, inheritance taxes, and property taxes.

Mr. Matlock, a native of Bolivar, Tennessee, graduated with high honors from The University of Tennessee in 1989 and received his law degree from The University of Tennessee in 1992. In 1993, Mr. Matlock obtained an LL.M. with an emphasis in taxation at the University of Miami School of Law. Mr. Matlock returned to Tennessee and has practiced law at Woolf McClane since its inception. He is a member of the American, Tennessee and Knoxville Bar Associations. Mr. Matlock previously served on the Board of Directors of Knoxville Habitat for Humanity.