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PRACTICES: Investment Management, Fund Formation and Management, Family Office, Joint Ventures, Energy Investment Funds and MLPs, Energy, Power and Natural Resources, Midstream, Tax, Corporate, International, U.S. Inbound Investment, Private Clients and Estate Planning, Regulatory Compliance, Project Finance and Development, REITs and REMICs, Oil and Gas, Debt and Equity Financing; **INDUSTRIES:** Media, Entertainment and Sports; **TRENDING ISSUES:** Environmental, Social and Governance

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EDUCATION AND CLERKSHIPS

- LL.M., Taxation, New York University School of Law, 1997
- LL.M., International Law, Georgetown University Law Center, 1995, *with distinction*
- J.D., Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, 1994, *cum laude*, Order of Coif
- B.A., Texas A&M University, 1990, *magna cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

- Texas
- New York

Vicki Odette is a member of the firm's Executive Committee and co-chair of the Investment Management Practice Group of the firm. Vicki regularly advises fund sponsors and institutional investors in connection with the formation of, and investment in, U.S. and foreign investment funds, including hedge funds, private equity funds, venture capital funds, energy funds, real estate funds, and fund of funds.

Vicki has experience in a variety of transactions including:

- Representing a sovereign wealth fund on world-wide investments in energy, private equity, infrastructure, hedge, debt and credit funds and co-investments.
- Representing oil and gas company sponsor on the formation of numerous investment funds with capital commitments of \$3 billion dollars with taxable and tax-exempt investors.
- Representing a real estate company sponsor on the formation of an open-ended real estate fund with taxable and tax-exempt investors.
- Representing a sponsor in the formation of a private REIT.
- Representing a sponsor on the formation of a U.S. infrastructure fund with U.S. and foreign investors.
- Representing numerous institutions, sovereign wealth funds, pension funds and family offices in their investments into hedge funds, private equity and venture capital funds and fund of funds.
- Representing numerous institutional investors and family offices in structuring and negotiating captive funds, separately managed accounts and co-investments.
- Representing high net worth families in the formation of family offices and representing them on their investments.
- Formation, structuring and operation of insurance dedicated funds (IDF), including relating to insurance dedicated fund of private equity funds hybrid structures and insurance dedicated fund of hedge fund structures, each of which customarily involves thorough negotiations with IDF counterparties.
- Representing natural resource operating companies and producers on pipeline, drilling, working interest, net profits interest and royalty joint ventures.
- Representing companies in the energy, pharmaceutical, media, manufacturing, healthcare and technology industries in joint venture transactions.
- Representing an oil and gas company on the formation and initial public offering of a publicly-traded master limited partnership.
- Representing individuals and families with net worths in excess of \$1 billion on

business planning matters associated with the formation and operation of family offices.

- Restructuring a family of U.S. and foreign hedge funds with billions of dollars in assets under management.

Professional Recognition

- Named by *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., in Tax Law, 2013-2021
- Named a Best Business Lawyer in Dallas for Tax by *D Magazine*, D Magazine Partners, 2009, 2011, 2015-2017
- Selected for inclusion in *Dallas Business Journal's* list of Who's Who in Energy, American City Business Journals, 2015
- Named one of the Best Women Lawyers in Dallas for Tax by *D Magazine*, D Magazine Partners, 2010
- *Martindale Hubbell Law Directory* with a Peer Review Rating of AV Preeminent

Professional and Community Activities

- Former Chair, Private Investment Fund Subcommittee, Private Equity & Venture Capital Committee, American Bar Association
- Former Chair, Corporate Tax Committee, State Bar of Texas Tax Section
- Former Chair, Tax Law Advisory Commission, State Bar of Texas
- Former Vice-Chair, Partnership and Real Estate Tax Committee, State Bar of Texas Tax Section
- Former Chair, International Environmental Tax Subcommittee, Environmental Tax Committee, American Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Taxation and Business Law Sections
- State Bar of Texas, Tax Section and Business Law Section
- Dallas Bar Association
- New York Bar Association