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PRACTICES Emerging Companies and Venture Capital, Corporate, Mergers and Acquisitions, Capital Markets and Securities, Fund Formation and Management, Tax, Corporate Tax, International Tax, International, Investment Management, FinTech Virtual Currency and Blockchain, Precision Medicine and Digital Health, Autonomous Transportation, Medical Device and Technology, Agriculture Technology, Healthcare and Life Sciences, Quantum Technologies

Roger Royse is a partner in the Palo Alto office of Haynes and Boone, LLP and practices in the area of emerging growth and venture capital, including formation, financing and M&A.

Roger is a Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel and former chair of several committees of the American Bar Association Sections of Business Law and Taxation. Roger has been an instructor or professor of legal, tax and business topics for the Center for International Studies (Salzburg, Austria), Golden Gate University School of Law and Stanford Continuing Studies.

Roger is a nationally recognized authority on agtech – the technology of food production - and the legal considerations for companies in this industry. Roger is also the author of *Dead on Arrival: How to Avoid the Legal Mistakes That Could Kill Your Startup* and *10,000 Startups: Legal Strategies for Startup Success* and has been interviewed and quoted in the Wall Street Journal, Forbes, Fox Business, Chicago Tribune, Associated Press, Tax Notes, Inc. Magazine, Nikkei Asian Review, China Daily, San Francisco Chronicle, Reuters, The Recorder, 7X7, Business Insurance and Fast Company.

Roger is also a Certified Public Accountant (California non-Attest).

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of North Dakota
- LL.M., Taxation, New York University School of Law
- B.S., Accounting, University of North Dakota

ADMISSIONS

- California
- Minnesota

- Nevada
- North Dakota
- New York
- South Dakota

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
 - U.S. Tax Court
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel
 - California Co-Chair of the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation
 - American Bar Association Business Law Section Liaison to the Section of Taxation
 - Board Member, Cancer Patient Lab
 - Silicon Valley Advocacy Chair, Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PANCAN)
 - Past Member, Executive Committee, California Lawyers Association, Taxation Section
 - Past Chair, City of Menlo Park Finance and Audit Committee (2021-2022)
 - Past President, Palo Alto Area Bar Association
 - Past Chair, State Bar of California Tax Policy, Practice and Legislation of the Taxation Section
 - Past Chair of the Committees on Tax Practice Management and Tax Policy of the ABA Tax Section; Past Chair of the Taxation Committee of the Business Law Section; Past California State
 - Past Delegate to the ABA House of Delegates
 - Member, Peninsula Family Services Finance committee
 - Member, Menlo Park Sister Cities Committee
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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Recognized by *The American Lawyer* in 2022 as a “West Trailblazer” for his leadership in AgTech
- Recognized by Northern California *Super Lawyers*, Thomson Reuters, 2011-2023
- *Martindale Hubbell*® *Law Directory* with a Peer Review Rating of AV® Preeminent™
- Recognized as a “Top Attorney” with a “10.0 Superb” *Avvo* Rating
- Recipient of *The Recorder* Legal Innovator Awards 2014 and 2015
- Recognized by The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society as the “2012 San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Man of the Year”