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Biography

Heather Fincher advises multinational businesses and highnet-worth individuals on US federal income tax matters, with a particular focus on international tax planning and controversies. She counsels both US- and foreign-owned businesses and individuals regarding the US tax consequences of cross-border investments, cryptocurrency issues, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and restructurings. Heather also regularly advises clients on special issues arising in international tax controversies.

Before joining Kostelanetz LLP, Heather worked as a tax attorney at the Washington, DC office of BakerHostetler, served a Fortune 50 company through her own firm and launched an international tax education business. During law school, she gained experience and insight into the inner workings of Treasury, the Tax Court and in-house legal practices: she served as a tax law clerk at Berkshire Hathaway, interned for Chief Judge Michael B. Thornton and Senior Judge Albert G. Lauber of the United States Tax Court, and interned in the Office of the International Tax Counsel at the US Department of the Treasury in Washington, DC.

Heather earned an LLM in Taxation, with distinction, and a Certificate in International Taxation from Georgetown Law. She earned her JD, with high honors, from GW Law, where she was a George Washington Scholar. Additionally, Heather earned a Master's in Taxation, with high distinction, from Bentley University. Prior to her academic accomplishments in law and taxation, Heather earned her Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in Intercultural Studies, with a Certificate in Leadership, from Wheaton College.

Heather is involved in a number of professional associations and is an active champion for professional women. She co-founded the American Bar Association's <u>Women in Tax Forum</u>, and in 2023, Heather launched the <u>Powerful Professional Women podcast</u>.

Education

- Georgetown Law, LL.M in Taxation (2021), with distinction; Certificate in International Taxation
- The George Washington University Law School, J.D. (2016), with high honors; George Washington Scholar
- Bentley University, M.A. in Taxation (2012), with high distinction
- Wheaton College, B.A. Theology (2000); M.A. in Intercultural Studies (2003); Certificate in Leadership

Bar Admissions

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