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PRACTICE AREAS

- Business & Corporate Services
 - Asset Protection
 - Succession Planning
 - Tax Planning
 - Tax Controversies
- Tax & Estate Planning
 - Charitable Planning
 - Institutional Trustee & Fiduciary Representation
 - Special Needs Trusts
 - Trusts & Trust Funding

RECOGNITION

- AV Preeminent™ and 5.0/5.0 Peer Review Rating™ (Martindale Hubbell)

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Illinois

COURT ADMISSIONS

United States Tax Court

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- South Suburban Estate Planning Council
- Chicago Estate Planning Council

HONORS AND AWARDS

- The John Marshall Law School, J.D., 1985, High Distinction
- New York University, LLM (Taxation)
- Law Review Honors
- National Moot Court Competitor
- Mugel Tax Competition-4th best brief, 1985 Quarterfinals

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Chicago Volunteer Legal Services
- Knights of Columbus Council, No. 9770
 - Co-Chair of Annual Fund Raising for Special Needs Citizens
- Treatment Alternatives for Sale Communities (TASC)

Joseph A. Zarlengo has established an impressive legal practice as a trusted advocate and counselor serving the needs of corporations, family-owned and closely held businesses, partnerships, tax-exempt entities, business owners, entrepreneurs and high net-worth individuals. His more than 30 years of legal and tax experience combined with an amiable personality make Joe an outstanding consigliere in reconciling contrasting business differences and opposing views in complex and often stressful situations.

Joe regularly advises business clients on a wide range of tax and business planning matters, as well as entity formation and ownership structure, asset protection and tax savings. He assists business owners with succession planning for wealth preservation and to ensure the smooth transition of business/ownership to younger generations, key employees and strategic buyers when the time comes. Joe's tax practice also involves the representation of corporate and individual clients in administering tax controversy matters before the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and Illinois Department of Revenue.

To his individual clients, Joe offers a full range of estate, trust and tax planning services, and often assists with the formation of family foundations and other philanthropic entities to meet charitable objectives. Joe is widely known for his ability to make sophisticated legal issues and strategies understandable to clients, and is a sought-after resource for income and tax planning advice among high net-worth individuals, lottery winners and professional practitioners, including doctors, lawyers, accountants and wealth management advisors.

When he's not strategizing with clients and their advisors, Joe enjoys time with his family and giving back to the communities he is a part of by participating in various service organizations.