

## Flaster Greenberg Elects Alexander Brown and Matthew J. Meltzer as New Shareholders

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Flaster Greenberg PC, a full-service commercial business law firm, is pleased to announce the election of Alexander Brown and Matthew J. Meltzer to shareholder effective January 1, 2024.

**Alexander Brown** is a litigation attorney who joined Flaster Greenberg's Litigation Department in December of 2022. He has broad-based litigation experience in complex commercial matters in both state and federal courts and has experience handling all aspects of pre-trial litigation, including depositions, motion practice, and court hearings. He focuses his practice on representing policy holders in disputes with their insurance companies.

"Alex is a superb lawyer and key member of our Insurance Department," said Lee Epstein, Chair of the Insurance Counseling & Recovery Department. "In the time that he has been with the firm, Alex has demonstrated a deep knowledge of insurance coverage law and an unrivaled commitment to client service. Elevating him to shareholder was an easy decision for the firm," Epstein continued.

Brown has also defended claims for professional negligence and intentional misconduct, including claims for construction defects, broker negligence, and break of professional and fiduciary duties. In addition, he also has experience handling class actions and representing clients in matters involving television and film rights, music rights, publishing rights, and likeness rights.

Licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, Brown received his J.D. from Rutgers School of Law and a B.M. in music industry from Syracuse University.

**Matt Meltzer** is a tax attorney who joined Flaster Greenberg's Business & Corporate Department and Taxation Practice Group in October of 2022.

Meltzer advises clients in transactional tax matters, including like kind exchanges of real estate under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code, mergers and acquisitions, business reorganizations, offerings of qualified small business stock under Section 1202 of the Code, and joint ventures.

He also represents clients in tax controversy matters before state agencies and courts, assists in negotiating voluntary disclosure arrangements with state revenue authorities, and regularly offers direction on routine tax information reporting and compliance matters.

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Flaster Greenberg Co-Managing Shareholder Steven Poulathas said, "Matt is an energetic, bright and compassionate attorney, who welcomes the challenges and creativity needed for sophisticated tax planning. He exudes confidence and respect for colleagues, clients, and adversaries, and worthily gets it back. He is certainly a future leader of our firm, and the shareholder body has conveyed that strongly with his recent elevation to shareholder."

In addition, Meltzer advises clients on the income tax treatment of structured litigation settlements, qualified settlement funds, and attorney fee arrangements.

He is a frequent speaker and is tapped for speaking engagements all over the country including continuing education programs on a multitude of tax topics including Section 1031 exchanges, the tax treatment of litigation settlements, and attorney fee structures. He has also spoken extensively on the IRS's 2022 Generic Legal Advice Memorandum (GLAM) addressing fee structures. He was also recently added as a co-author of the leading legal treatise on the tax treatment of litigation settlements.

Licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania, Meltzer received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School and a B.A. in economics and political science from Swarthmore College.

#### **ATTORNEYS MENTIONED**

Alexander Brown

Matthew Meltzer