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Kevin E. Packman, a native of Miami, is a partner with Holland & Knight and a member of its International Estate Planning Group, an integral part of the firm's Private Wealth Services Department. Packman also chairs the firm's Offshore Compliance Team. His practice includes tax controversies, estate planning (domestic and international), and creditor protection planning. He is also recognized as a national leader in foreign bank and

financial accounts reporting.

Packman has experience:

- advising clients on foreign bank account reporting compliance
- guiding clients through IRS examinations and audits
- assisting domestic clients with preparation of estate plans to minimize gift and estate tax exposure
- creating structures through which international clients may invest in the U.S. and avoid estate tax exposure
- providing pre-immigration planning to foreign individuals planning to establish domicile in the U.S.
- advising U.S. beneficiaries of foreign trusts and/or estates on alternatives to reduce U.S. taxes

Additionally, Packman has:

- represented a non-resident alien in a criminal investigation by the United States Department of Justice, resulting in no criminal charges being filed against the client
- negotiated the release of an IRS levy against a non-resident alien client's investment account
- resolved an IRS dispute with exposure in excess of \$6 million involving income tax, gift tax, and various penalty issues for failure to file Forms 3520 and 3520-A for \$1.1 million
- represented a client in avoiding criminal sanctions in an investigation by IRS special agents and attorneys from the United States Department of Justice

Packman has lectured for the AICPA, the ABA, New York University, the University of Miami, The Florida Bar, and STEP. He has presented to numerous national and community institutions/organizations. Packman is a prolific writer with articles appearing in several publications, including *The Florida Bar Journal*, *Journal of Accountancy*, *Journal of Taxation*, *Estate Planning*, *Practical Tax Strategies* and *The Jerusalem Post*. He is frequently quoted by *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Daily Business Journal* and *Accounting Today*. He also drafted legislation that passed the U.S. Congress declaring—May-as-“National-ALS--Awareness--Month.”

Packman is active in the community as a member of the Kessenich Family MDA ALS Center Advisory Board and a past board member of the Easter Seal Society of Miami-Dade County and Israel Bonds organizations. While he has frequently been recognized for his volunteer efforts, Packman is proudest of having been the first recipient of the ALS Association’s Kevin Packman Award for the Most Outstanding-Volunteer.

Packman earned his B.A. in 1993 from the University of Texas, where he was named the Most Outstanding Individual in 1991; his J.D. in 1998 from Washington University School of Law, where he received the Honor Scholar award and the 2011 Distinguished Young Law Alumni Award; and his LL.M. in estate planning in 2002 from the University of Miami School of Law, where he received the Vice President’s Award for Service.