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# Michael A. Rienzi Counsel

Litigation, Real Estate, Real Estate Tax Appeals

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**Mike Rienzi has practiced law in the area of property tax litigation, representing New Jersey taxpayers, since 2007.** Throughout Mike's career, he has represented owners of nearly every class of property in the state, as well as various tax-exempt entities in their efforts to eliminate (through exemption) or reduce their tax liability. In his practice, Mike routinely appears before the county boards of taxation and the Tax Court of New Jersey on his clients' behalf. In addition to his work in New Jersey, Mike also represents property owners in Pennsylvania in taxpayer-initiated appeals and appeals initiated by school districts to increase assessments.

Prior to joining Brach Eichler, Mike was a partner in a firm he co-founded, an associate at one of the state's largest firms in their property tax group, and an associate at a boutique firm focused on property tax litigation.

Mike currently serves on the golf committee for The Banyan School, which was founded by his parents in 1993.

### INDUSTRIES

Real Estate

#### EDUCATION

- New England School of Law, J.D.
- Fairleigh Dickinson University, B.S., *cum laude*

#### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. Supreme Court

### **REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS**

Each matter handled by Michael is dependent upon the unique facts and particular circumstances. An example of successful matters handled by Michael include:

- Martindale-Hubbell, Inc. c/o Lexis Nexis v. Borough of New Providence trial for office building resulting in reductions in each year under appeal.
- Del Rosso v. Borough of Point Pleasant successful summary judgment motion invalidating assessor's spot assessment on a single-family home.
- Negotiated settlement for data center client in Hudson County resulting in over \$600,000 in tax savings in one year.
- Negotiated settlement for data center client in Hudson County resulting in over \$530,000 in tax savings in three years.
- Negotiated settlement for an apartment building in Hudson County resulting in over \$200,000 in tax savings in one year.
- Negotiated settlement for office building owner in Essex County resulting in over \$800,000 in tax savings over five years.
- Negotiated settlement for office building owner in Bergen County resulting in over \$1.1 million in tax over six years.
- Part of a team that successfully litigated and resolved over 800 single-family home appeals in Ocean County following a town-wide revaluation, resulting in total savings of over \$800,000.

\*Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- New Jersey Bar Association
  - Taxation Law Section Executive Committee Member
- Member, New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on the Tax Court

### Insights

B|E in the News - August 12, 2024

Genova Burns passes the Championship off to Brach Eichler in 2024 Edition of The Battle of the Barristers

B|E in the News - August 12, 2024

Brach Eichler beats McCarter (and rain) to capture annual Battle of the Barristers

B|E in the News - February 2, 2023

CLOSING ENTRY: Due diligence - Why property owners should regularly review their tax assessments

B|E in the News - December 14, 2021

Michael A. Rienzi is Quoted in NJSBA Community Net About Tax Credits on Property Tax Appeals

Newsletters - October 26, 2021

Brach Eichler's Litigation Quarterly Advisor - Fall 2021

Newsletters - July 29, 2021

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#### **Brach Eichler's Quarterly Advisor - Summer 2021**

Newsletters - *May 12, 2021* Brach Eichler's Quarterly Advisor - Spring 2021

B|E in the News - April 5, 2021

Our Real Estate Practice is Featured in the March Edition of Real Estate NJ as a Top Law Firm in NJ Commercial RE

B|E in the News - *February 6, 2020* Associate Michael A. Rienzi Joins Real Estate Tax Appeal Practice