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Chris started his career with D&S as an intern in 2011 and began full-time as a tax associate after graduating from Villanova University in 2012. His rapid rise through the ranks was coupled with earning his Master's in Taxation from Villanova University School of Law in 2017. Chris became a shareholder of the firm in 2020.

Chris excels in individual and pass-through entity taxation. He focuses on all aspects of real estate investment and development, including ownership structuring and transaction planning, and is a founding member of D&S's Opportunity Zone practice group. Chris also works with closely held businesses, complex high-net-worth families and corporate executives on tax and personal financial planning.

Chris has been published in the *Philadelphia Estate Planning Council's* quarterly newsletter and the *Philadelphia Business Journal*. He has also been quoted in *TaxLaw360*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and is a regular contributor to the *Tax Warrior Chronicles* blog. His positions on the Nova Next Council for Real Estate (the Villanova School of Business DiLella Center for Real Estate's next generation of real estate industry leaders) and PIDC's Advisory Committee on Impact Development are a testament to his entrepreneurial and leadership skills.

Born in New Jersey, Chris came to the Philadelphia area to pursue his undergraduate studies at Villanova University, where he graduated cum laude with degrees in finance and accounting. He now enjoys living in Center City. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

In his spare time, Chris enjoys playing guitar and exploring Philadelphia's restaurant scene. A competitive sportsman, Chris is the undisputed D&S table tennis champion and a less-awarded golfer, though not for lack of trying.