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Overview

After graduating from DePaul Law School in 1973, Bruce Zolna joined the firm as an attorney. Throughout his career, he has concentrated his work in the areas of income, gift, estate and generation-skipping taxation for individuals, decedent's estates and testamentary and living trusts. During his tenure with the firm, Bruce co-founded the Wealth and Succession Planning Department.

On January 1, 2011, Bruce stepped down as President of the firm and Chairman of the KTJ board. Since that time, he has served as a part-time firm contract attorney representing some of the firm's longest-standing clients.

Bruce and his wife of 50 years spend much of their time at their home in Key West, Florida.

Bruce graduated from Western Illinois University in 1970 with a B.A. degree in Political Science.

He received a J.D. degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1973. While at DePaul, he served as associate editor of the *DePaul Law Review* and authored a case note on the conflict between a citizen's right to a fair criminal trial and the public's right to be kept informed by a free press. His note was based on a Snohomish County Washington murder trial that made national headlines and later was the principal basis on which a book, network TV series and movie was written, published, produced and successfully released.

While in law school, Bruce was a law clerk for the firm assisting Art Thorpe, founding KTJ partner in Municipal Law, and Newell Jenkins, successor KTJ partner to Franklin Klein in School Law.

Bruce is admitted to practice in the state of Illinois, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and the United States Tax Court, Washington, D.C.

Professional Affiliations

- Bruce is a member of the Illinois Bar Association and the Illinois Local Government Lawyers Association.

Awards and Recognition

- Bruce has been named a Leading Lawyer by Law Bulletin Media, a peer-recommended distinction awarded to fewer than 5% of attorneys in Illinois.

Related Practices

- Wealth and Succession Planning