

KELLY SMITH

Partner



Kelly Smith joined Bennett Thrasher in 2010 and is a Partner in the Real Estate practice, focusing on complex tax consulting and compliance engagements for both domestic and foreign owned business concerns primarily in the U.S. real estate and hospitality industry. She has extensive experience with partnership matters and tax structuring for clients in the real estate or restaurant space, including developers of office, commercial, retail, multi-family housing, and mixed-used properties, inbound investors from countries spanning the globe, restaurant operators and franchisors. Kelly has over eleven years of experience in the Real Estate industry, both from a tax and financial perspective.

Prior to joining BT, Kelly began her career at McNair, McLemore, Middlebrooks & Co., LLP, a local firm in Macon, Georgia, where she worked with closely-held businesses providing payroll, sales, bookkeeping and income tax services. She then spent over two years in industry at Morgan Stanley working in finance extensively with their domestic and international real estate funds preparing high-profile analysis to provide qualitative explanations and performance analysis for investors and senior-level management to achieve optimum performance of invested funds.

Kelly graduated from Mercer University in 2007 with a Bachelor of Business Administration and from Georgia State University in 2010 with a Master of Taxation. She became a Certified Public Accountant in Georgia in 2010 and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the Georgia Society of CPAs (GSCPA) Real Estate Section.



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PRACTICE AREAS

Taxation



INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

International - Inbound
Real Estate
Restaurant/Finance



EDUCATION

Master of Taxation,
Georgia State University
Bachelor of Business Administration,
Mercer University



PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Institute of Certified Public
Accountants (AICPA)
Georgia Society of CPAs (GSCPA)



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Leadership Pace