

Sabrina Lyn Strand

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of the LITC and Assistant Professor

November 2022 – Present

University of Denver, Denver, Colorado

- Teach and supervise student representatives (law and accounting students) who participate in the University of Denver Graduate Tax Program's Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.
- Teach students about how to represent clients who have cases involving the US Tax Court, US District Court, IRS examinations and appeals, collection due process hearings, offer in compromises, requests for innocent spouse relief, and requests for penalty abatement.
- Meet with community organizers to promote our Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.
- Teach: Tax Procedure, Advanced Tax Procedure, Tax Ethics, and the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

Assitant Director of the LITC and Visiting Assistant Professor

January 2020 – November 2022

University of Denver, Denver, Colorado

- Taught and supervised student representatives (law and accounting students) who participated in the University of Denver Graduate Tax Program's Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.
- Developed new practices and procedures to accommodate the new online learning environment.
- Met with community organizers to promote our Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.
- Coached LL.M. and JD teams who competed in the annual American Bar Association, Law Student Tax Challenge (LL.M. team won 1st place in the 2021 competition; LL.M. team won best brief and 2nd place in the 2020 competition).

Associate Attorney

December 2015 – January 2021

Joseph H. Thibodeau, PC, Denver, Colorado

- Handled cases in the following areas: US Tax Court, US District Court, IRS examinations and appeals, tax levies, tax liens, wage garnishments, sales and use tax audits, collection due process hearings, offer in compromises, requests for innocent spouse relief, requests for penalty abatement, payroll tax delinquencies, trust fund recovery penalties, and estate audits.
- Advised clients on the Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Program, Streamlined Domestic and Foreign Offshore Procedures, Reports of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts ("FBARs") and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA").
- Represented individuals that were investigated/indicted by the Department of Justice for financial and tax related offenses including Bank Secrecy Act violations, structuring, evasion of payment, and filing a false tax return.
- Assisted clients with federal, state, and local audits (Colorado, City of Aurora, City of Englewood, City of Pueblo, Michigan, and Maryland), protests of proposed adjustments, and audit reconsideration.

Law Clerk for the Honorable Judge Elizabeth Crewson Paris

January 2015 – December 2015

United States Tax Court, Washington, D.C

- Drafted opinions and orders pertaining to conservation easements, employee business expenses, IRA penalties, IRS liens, Schedule A and C deductions, and Tax Court jurisdictional issues.
- Supervised legal interns.

Awards

John S. Nolan Fellow

2025-2026

American Bar Association Tax Section

- Nolan Fellows are current members of the Tax Section who have made significant contributions to the Section, often through involvement in a committee or task force.

Faculty Career Champion Award

2025-2026

University of Denver

- The Faculty Career Champion award is a student-nominated honor recognizing faculty who excel at mentoring, advocating for, and supporting students' career and professional development goals.

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Education

- LL.M. in Taxation** December 2014
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado
Awards: High Grade Award: State and Local Taxation
- Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*** December 2012
Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, California
Awards: Honor Roll Spring 2011 and Fall 2012, Pro Bono Honors Award, CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Legal Writing, Jefferson Medal in Recognition of Academic Excellence: Legal Writing, and Witkin Awards for Academic Excellence: Legal Writing
Studied Abroad: Hangzhou, China
- Bachelor of Arts** in Diplomacy and World Affairs, minor in Russian Studies May 2010
Occidental College, Los Angeles, California
Awards: Dean's Leadership Award for Excellence, Greek Chapter President of the Year
Studied Abroad: Beijing, China and St. Petersburg, Russia

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Admitted in 2013 to the California Bar and Colorado Bar. Admitted in 2014 to the District of Columbia Bar. Certified to practice before the United States Tax Court and United States District Court for the District of Colorado.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association Tax Section (Chair of the Closely Held Businesses Committee), Greater Denver Tax Counsel Association, Colorado Bar Association Tax Section, California Bar Association Tax Section, Federal Bar Association Tax Section, Colorado Women's Bar Association, and Douglas Elbert Bar Association.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- American Bar Association Tax Section** May 2026
2026 May Meeting in Washington, DC
- Topic: Ethics: Who is my Client? (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** January 2026
2026 Midyear Meeting in San Diego, California
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses and S Corps
- American Bar Association Tax Section** February 2025
2026 Midyear Meeting in San Diego, California
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses and S Corps
- American Bar Association Tax Section** May 2025
2025 May Meeting in Washington, DC
- Topic: How to Represent Taxpayers With Differing Beliefs Than Your Own (Standards of Tax Practice)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** February 2025
2025 Midyear Meeting in Los Angeles, California
- Topic: Examining Disparate Impact in Tax Controversy (Tax Bridge to Practice)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** September 2024
2024 Virtual Fall Meeting
- Moderator and Panelist: Change Is Coming: How to Navigate Various Transitions in a Tax Law Careers (Young Lawyer's Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** May 2024
2024 May Meeting in Washington, DC
- Topic: Tools Available when Litigating against the IRS (Closely Held Businesses Committee)

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- American Bar Association Tax Section** January 2024
2024 Midyear Meeting in San Francisco, California
- Topic: Developing and Mentoring the Next Generation of Tax Lawyers in the Post-Pandemic Era (Young Lawyers Committee)
- Beverly Hills Bar Association Tax Section** September 2023
Virtual
- Topic: How to Effectively Represent your Client in Tax Court
- American Bar Association Tax Section** May 2023
2023 May Meeting in Washington, DC
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** February 2023
2022 Meeting in San Diego, California
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** October 2022
2022 Meeting in Dallas, Texas
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** March 2022
- Moderator of the Careers in Tax Panel: Perspectives on Different Pathways in the Tax Profession
- American Bar Association Tax Section** September 2021
2021 Virtual Fall Meeting
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee/ Real Property, Trusts, & Estates Committee)
 - Topic: Civil Actions in Connection with IRS Collection Enforcement Action (Tax Collection, Bankruptcy and Workouts Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** January 2020
2020 Midyear Meeting in Boca Raton, Florida
- Topic: Hot Topics for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** October 2019
2019 Fall Meeting in San Francisco, California
- Topic: Legislative Update for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** January 2019
2018 Midyear Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana
- Topic: IRS Tools to Discover Taxpayer Documents at Home and Abroad (Young Lawyers Forum)
 - Topic: Legislative Update for Closely Held Businesses (Closely Held Businesses Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** February 2018
2018 Midyear Meeting in San Diego, California
- Topic: Employee Tax Audit Considerations (Closely Held Businesses/Tax Collection, Bankruptcy and Workouts Committee)
- American Bar Association Tax Section** September 2017
2017 Meeting in Austin, Texas
- Topic: Employment Cases and Planning Implications (Closely Held Businesses Committee)

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PUBLICATIONS

- American Bar Association** Summer 2026
- Author of Chapter 32 “Understanding the Earned Income Tax Credit” for Effectively Representing Your Client, 9th Edition, Pending Publication.
- United States Tax Court** December 2025
- Co-Author, Amicus Curiae Brief of Greenspoon Marder, LLP, in Support of Petitioner New Mexico Top Organics, December 5, 2025.
- MJBizDaily** June 2025
- Quote provided for Cannabis Companies Ineligible for ERC, Federal Court Rules, MJBizDaily, June 12, 2025.
- American Bar Association Tax Times** November 2017
- Co-Author, Employment Cases and Planning Implications, ABA Tax Times, Vol. 37 No. 1, November 2017.
- Bloomberg Tax** June 2022
- Co-Author, IRS Service Woes Slowing Streamlined Low-Income Taxpayer Audits, Bloomberg Daily Tax Report, June 21, 2022.
- American Bar Association Tax Times** November 2017
- Employment Cases and Planning Implications, ABA Tax Times, Vol. 37 No. 1, November 2017.