



## Jacob Yau

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### Expertise

Tax

Tax Disputes

### Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2016

Jacob combines his technical tax expertise and strategic thinking to help his clients navigate complex tax disputes.

He has argued before the Tax Court of Canada and the Federal Court of Appeal on matters ranging from income tax, excise tax, and the general anti-avoidance rule (GAAR), and has successfully resolved numerous cases before trial. He has argued before the Federal Court of Canada on judicial review applications and the Ontario Superior Court (Commercial List) on orders for rectification and commercial disputes, and regularly advises clients with respect to voluntary disclosures, tax compliance and audits, and objections and appeals. He further advises both domestic and international clients on corporate tax, tax planning, M&A, business structuring, and reorganizations.

Jacob is an active publisher and speaker and is an editor of Federated Press' *International Tax Planning*.

## REPRESENTATIVE WORK

### Leading Cinema Operator

Acted for a leading cinema operator in its successful tax dispute with the Canada Revenue Agency in connection with the treatment of the sale of a movie theatre as a capital versus income gain.

### High-Net Worth Client

Acted for a high-net worth client in the successful resolution of their dispute with the Canada Revenue Agency relating to the fair market value rental fee of high value artwork.

## RECOGNITIONS

*The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*—Litigation: Corporate Tax

## INSIGHTS

Canadian Tax Foundation, 76th Annual Tax Conference, "Audit and Non-Compliance – Where We're At, Where We're Headed"; Vancouver, BC  
Dec. 02, 2024

The Proposed Enhancement of CRA's Audit Powers, Part Two: Unpacking the New Non-Compliance Regime  
May 24, 2024

Interview, *Canadian Lawyer Magazine*, "New CRA audit powers proposed in federal budget raise uncertainty, say Davies tax lawyers"; Web Publication  
May 22, 2024

The Proposed Enhancement of the CRA's Audit Powers, Part One: Under Penalty of Perjury  
May 03, 2024

# DAVIES

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Federal Budget 2024: How It Impacts You and Your Business

Apr. 16, 2024

Down but not out: Rectification granted by the Ontario Superior Court to correct trust deeds, co-author

Nov. 27, 2023

Canadian Tax Foundation, Celebrating the Tax Court of Canada, "40th Anniversary of the Tax Court of Canada Conference"; Toronto, ON

Oct. 05, 2023

Canada Revenue Agency's expanded audit powers: What taxpayers need to know, part two, co-author

Oct. 02, 2023

Canada Revenue Agency's expanded audit powers: What taxpayers need to know, part one, co-author

Aug. 14, 2023

*Emergis v. The King*: Taxpayer Emerges Victorious in Tower Structure Deduction

Jan. 02, 2023

## EDUCATION

Osgoode Hall Law School, JD, 2015

Queen's University, BSc (Applied Science, Electrical Engineering), 2007

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

The Advocates' Society

Canadian Tax Foundation

International Fiscal Association

Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Advocates' Society, Practice Group Leader - Tax Litigation Practice Group

*International Tax Planning* (Federated Press), Editor

## TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Jacob is an adjunct professor at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, where he teaches Canadian Income Tax Law to upper-year law students.