



SPECIALISTS IN TAX LAW LAWYERS

COLOGNE BERLIN MUNICH

We enter the game when all else seems to be failing.



WE ARE TAX LAWYERS



CONSULTING PHILOSOPHY

We count ourselves among Germany's leading law firms in the area of tax law.

We are highly specialised. The quality of our consulting is based on many years of experience coupled with our specialist focus. Our competence is assured through continuous knowledge exchange as well as lecturing and writing activities.

We are not a 'lawyer factory'. Each mandate is led by one of our partners, who is able to draw on the know-how of the entire partnership. If your mandate requires it, we are large enough to set a team onto it.

We also act as consultants to advisers. In our view, tax advisers, auditors and lawyers are partners and not competitors.

We resolve situations for our clients that at first sight appear to be almost hopeless. This involves our highly specialised knowledge and our long experience of proceedings. Each mandate lies within the direct responsibility of one of our partners.

Coupled with our long experience, close specialist communication of all our partnership's lawyers amongst each other ensures that each client is treated optimally and can draw on the expertise of all our lawyers.

We are regularly engaged by tax advisers and auditors with regard to special legal questions of taxation. We advise family businesses as well as DAX-listed corporations, private individuals and public figures, societies, associations, and banks.

It goes without saying that discretion and the protection of our clients' privacy enjoy the highest priority.



CLIENTS



TAX DISPUTE

Hardly any tax law firm represents clients at tax courts as frequently as we do. We are able to combine decades of experience in managing legal dispute processes with our highly specialised know-how of tax law.

In the area of tax dispute, we represent companies, societies and associations as well as private individuals. In supporting our clients in tax auditing procedures and tax assessment notices, we deploy our know-how and negotiating skills in court – up to the highest instance if necessary.

We regularly support tax advisers and auditors with regard to disputes. Each client is attended to under the personal responsibility of one of our firm's partners.

TAX INVESTIGATION

Participants in today's business world can quickly find themselves involved in a tax investigation – either as the accused or as a witness

Effective defence against tax investigation requires specialists in criminal and taxation law. This is precisely where our expertise lies – as one of the few highly specialised law firms in this domain, we are able to combine both.

More recently, preventive consulting in terms of tax compliance is becoming an increasingly important aspect of our activities. How can one recognise risk constellations at the earliest possible stage? Should it have come to a case of evasion, we are able to fully prepare self-declarations that avoid penalties, and accompany these throughout the entire proceedings up to recognition of impunity.

In classic tax investigation proceedings, we support clients from the search phase to the agreement phase or, if such an agreement cannot be reached, in the defence proceedings in court.

Additionally, we represent our clients in all criminal law appeals and complaints as well as cases of custody, should these occur.

Criminal tax proceedings are regularly accompanied by tax dispute proceedings, so that these can be handled in combination.

TAX STRUCTURING

The choice of legal form when forming or restructuring a company, the procedure for succession at the head of a company or in its managing partners, or the structuring of contracts relating to tax matters, have a high level of significance for businesses.

The same applies to advising on wills. We ensure that the proposed structure is optimised in terms of tax law. We also work independently alongside other consultants or supplement their work.

Regular dialogue amongst our lawyers guarantees that every client profits from the comprehensive and continuously growing knowledge base of the entire firm.

ADVISERS' LIABILITY

We support advisers not only with our expertise in special taxrelated questions or in disputes with the financial authorities, but also provide them with help in dealing with disputes with their clients

We examine accusations of liability and check for the adviser or his insurance company, whether there is a case for liability and how extensive this could be.

In the name of the adviser or the insurance company, we dispute the case with the tax authorities in order to minimise the damage. In addition, we offer preventive advice in order to counter liability risks at an early stage. This gives the consultant legal certainty for his actions.

As a highly specialised tax law firm, we have symbolically incorporated the 'tithe' into our logo. The tithe, or tenth part, is the original form of taxation. In the Middle Ages, it was paid in kind to the church, and eventually became a monetary tax.

Despite many differences, tithe and tax have one thing in common: There have always been and will always be disputes about the legitimacy, form and amount of the demands. Resolving these aspects for our clients is the task on which we have been bundling our strengths and our specialised know-how for many years.





THE 'TITHE'

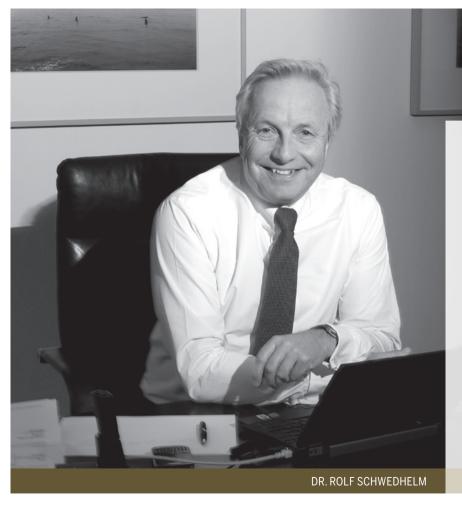
Rather than hiding behind piles of documents at our desks, we stand by our clients in court – where they need our support.

LAWYERS

11 Partners at 3 locations form the leadership of the STRECK MACK SCHWEDHELM Law Firm.

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Lawyer since: 1985 Specialist in tax law Partner since: 1989

Born: 1955

Family status: Married, two children Studied in: Bielefeld and Göttingen

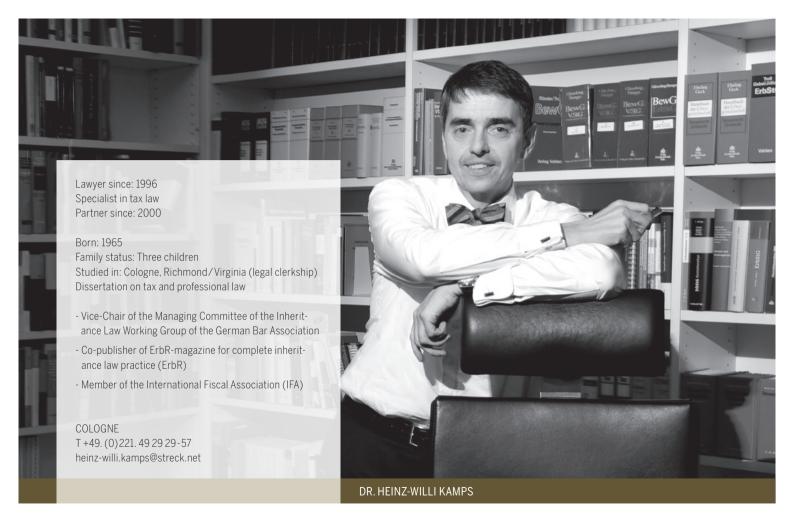
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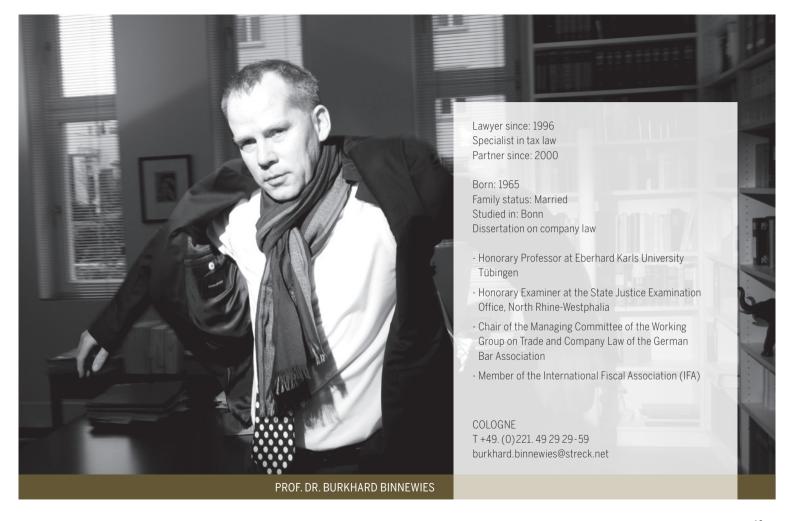
- Member of the Managing Committee of the Trade and Company Law Working Party of the German Bar Association
- Chair of the Supervisory Board of the German Lawyers' Academy
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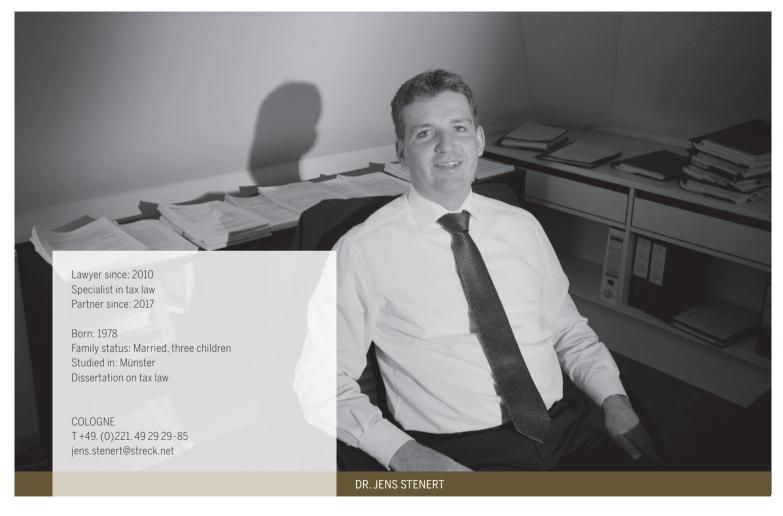








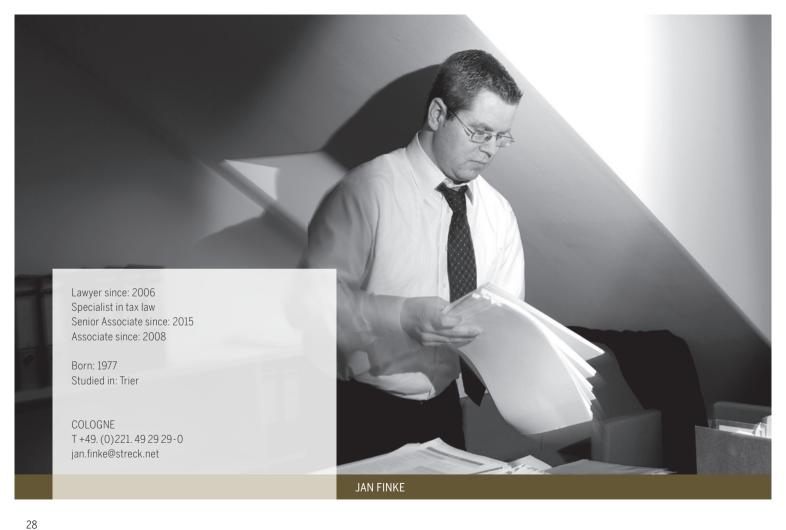




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ASSOCIATES

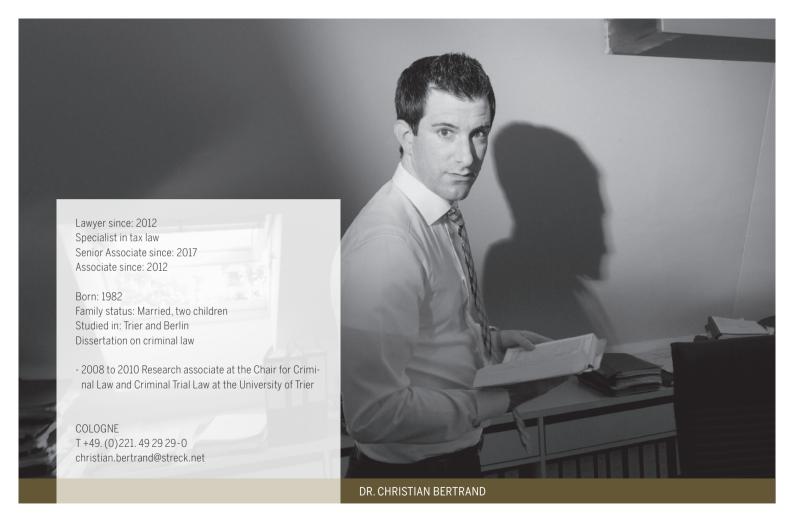
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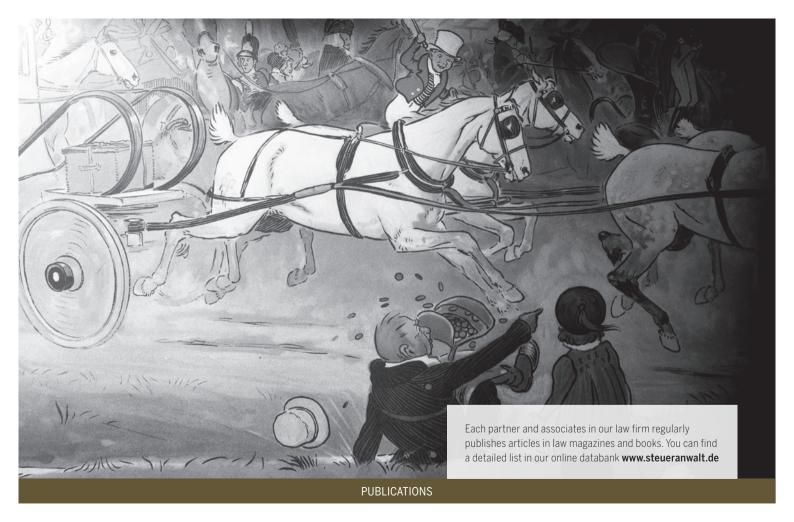


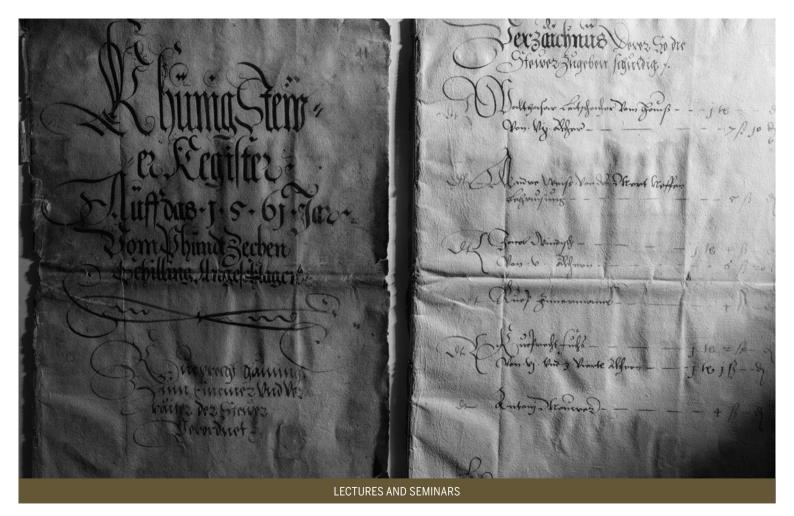






We take on criminal tax cases as well as tax-related civil law cases in all instances. We also act as criminal tax defence lawyers for our clients in all instances.





We ensure that out know-how remains consistently updated through lectures on current tax, business and criminal law topics for colleagues in the tax advisory profession, and through the accompanying discussion with the participants. Our seminars for lawyers, tax advisers and auditors, in which we analyse current topics relating to legislation, jurisdiction and structuring practice, are held on a regular basis.

We give lectures for law societies and associations of lawyers, tax advisors and auditors as well as reputable specialist publishers and vocational training establishments.

Lectures in the Federal Academy of Finance and the Judges' Academy allow us to interchange with tax authorities and judges.

A detailed list with schedule you can find in our online databank www.steueranwalt.de



We are always interested in extending our competent team.



»IN WHICH DIRECTION ARE YOU STERRING?«

We are looking for dedicated lawyers (male and female) for our offices in Cologne, Berlin and Munich. We offer a highly qualified and collaborative work environment, for which we expect an honours degree (Prädikatsexamen).

In all candidates we are looking for future partners for the firm.

A little about us: We are a specialised tax law firm with a particular focus on tax disputes, tax investigations and tax structuring. In these specialist areas we belong to Germany's leading law firms.

You can find further information about our law firm and how we identify ourselves on our website at www.steueranwalt.de

Prof. Dr. Binnewies will be pleased to respond to your application or provide feedback.

We look forward to receiving your application.

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