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PRACTICE AREAS

Business Tax Planning

Business Representation

Business Succession Planning

Mergers & Acquisitions

Real Estate Transactions

ABOUT

Gary Fitzpatrick is a partner of the Orange County, California law firm of Brown & Streza, LLP. His practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, commercial real estate, business planning and contracts serving clients in a broad range of sectors, including real property, healthcare, technology, manufacturing, insurance and financial services. Gary also works closely with the firm's advanced tax and estate planning group on complex structures related to business and succession planning.

Prior to joining Brown & Streza, Gary served as General Counsel for multiple companies, most recently Surfside Ventures, LLC. As General Counsel for companies with thousands of employees and many locations across the United States, Gary understands the complexities of running a business far beyond legal compliance. Gary started his career in private practice as a business and estate planning attorney advising and working closely with high net-worth business owners and families.

Gary earned his Juris Doctor from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law and received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in International Finance from the University of Southern California.

In his free time, Gary enjoys spending time with his wife and two children, working out, surfing and coaching his son's special needs baseball team which he has done for the past 20 years.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Brown & Streza LLP, Irvine, California

Partner, 2022-Present

Stock Market Mentor & Option Market Mentor, Trabuco Canyon, California

Chief Legal and Operating Officer/Owner, 2009-2021

Surfside Ventures, LLC, Laguna Niguel, California

General Counsel, 2013-2020

Trancas Capital LLC, Aliso Viejo, California
General Counsel, 2004-2013

Palace Entertainment, Newport Beach, California
General Counsel, 2000-2004

Freeman Freeman & Smiley, LLP, Irvine, California
Associate Attorney, 1997-2000

Voorhees Knable Pettler Miller & Freeman, Torrance, California
Associate Attorney, 1994-1997

Juris Doctor, **University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law**, Sacramento, California, 1994

Bachelor of Science, Business Administration with an emphasis in International Finance, **University of Southern California**, Los Angeles, California, 1990

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

LightZ of Hope | The Zachary Woodard Foundation – Founding Board Member, 2019-Present

Challenger Little League – Manager and Coach, 2002-Present

Unidos South Orange County – Volunteer, 2019-Present

FUSION Group – Former Member

ProVisors – Host of Irvine Spectrum Group and Member

Orange County Bar Association, Business & Corporate Law, Trusts & Estates, Real Estate Law Sections – Member

Challenger Pop Warner – Coach, 2010-2016

California Attractions and Parks Association – Founding Board Member, 2003-2004

Planned Giving Round Table of Orange County – Former Member