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Two Gray Reed Attorneys Pass Texas Board Certification Exams

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Gray Reed is pleased to announce that two Gray Reed attorneys passed the challenging and prestigious Texas Board of Legal Specialization (TBLS) exams. <u>Isreal Miller</u> is Board Certified in Tax Law and <u>Robbie Morris</u> is Board Certified in Commercial Real Estate. The firm now has three Board Certified attorneys in each of these areas of law.

Miller is a tax attorney focused on advising clients in state and local taxation matters and resolving related audits and litigation, primarily involving Texas sales and use tax, franchise tax and property tax. Before joining Gray Reed, he served for five years as a trial attorney for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, where he personally handled over 1,700 cases, including over 850 cases litigated at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. Miller gained significant experience working with taxpayers, taxpayer representatives, auditors and other agency personnel to resolve disputed state tax issues and claims. In addition to being Board Certified in Tax Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, he is a Certified Public Accountant, a Certified Financial Planner™ practitioner and a Personal Financial Specialist.

With 45 years of legal practice focused on partnering with companies in the real estate industry, Morris has the experience and know-how to help clients structure real estate deals and solve the numerous problems impacting their businesses. His practice is primarily focused on guiding both sellers and buyers through a variety of commercial real estate transactions, farm and ranch transactions and high-end residential transactions. Morris is a trusted resource for clients of all types and sizes, including publicly-traded corporations, developers, lenders, landowners and entrepreneurs.

Gray Reed has a total of 27 Board Certified attorneys across several areas of law including Bankruptcy; Civil Trial; Commercial Real Estate; Estate Planning and Probate; Family Law; Health Law; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law; and Taxation.

TBLS Board Certification is a voluntary designation program certifying Texas attorneys in 24 specific areas of law. Board Certified attorneys must be licensed for at least five years, devote a required percentage of practice to a specialty area for at least three years, attend continuing education seminars, pass an evaluation by fellow lawyers and judges and pass a daylong written examination. Initial certification is valid for five years. To remain certified, attorneys and paralegals must apply for recertification every five years and meet substantial involvement, peer review and continuing legal education requirements for their specialty area.

About Gray Reed



A full-service Texas law firm with offices in Dallas and Houston, Gray Reed provides legal services to companies ranging from start-up to Fortune 500 as well as high net worth individuals. Gray Reed attorneys assist clients with a myriad of legal issues including commercial litigation, corporate transactions, oil and gas, tax planning and litigation, real estate, construction, healthcare, trusts and estates, employment law, family law, intellectual property and bankruptcy. For more information, visit <u>www.grayreed.com</u>.