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Lauren Ferrante focuses her practice on state and local taxation. She represents clients at all stages of state and local controversy disputes at the audit, administrative, and judicial levels. She also counsels clients on planning, transactional, and compliance matters with respect to various state and local tax issues. In particular, Lauren has extensive experience defending clients against *qui tam* (False Claims Act) claims filed in the state tax arena.

Lauren is a prolific author and speaker on state and local tax matters including apportionment, nexus, and tax procedure as well as other state tax issues.

Prior to joining the firm, Lauren was a partner at a national law firm in its Chicago, Illinois office where she concentrated her practice on state and local tax and represented taxpayers in state and local tax controversy disputes, as well as transactional, planning, and compliance matters related to state and local tax issues.

Education

Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law LL.M., Taxation (2010) *with honors*

University of Illinois College of Law J.D. (2009) *magna cum laude*

Miami University B.A. (2006) *magna cum laude, Honors in History*

Admissions

Illinois (2009)

Professional & Community Activities

Tax Notes State

SALT Insights, Columnist (2023-present)
DM SALT Masters, Columnist (2021)

Chicago Bar Association, State and Local Tax Committee, Chair (2018-2019); Vice Chair (2017-2018)

Institute for Professionals in Taxation, Member (2018-2019)
Sales Tax Symposium Committee, Member (2016-2018)

Young Professionals' Advisory Council, Chicago Lawyers' Committee (2015)

Law360, State & Local Tax Authority Editorial Advisory Board (2026)

Insights

Perspectives

Illinois Remote Retailer Tax Amnesty Program
July 6, 2026

Publication

Illinois Tax Grab Update: Digital Economy, Sports Contests, and NOL Carryover Limitations to Name a Few
June 9, 2026

Perspectives

5 Key Takeaways | State and Local Tax Risk and Opportunities
April 27, 2026

News Releases

Kilpatrick Attorneys Named to Law360's 2026 Editorial Advisory Boards
April 6, 2026

Events

State Taxation of the Digital Economy
March 24, 2026