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Ryan Whitaker Joins Frost Brown Todd's Cincinnati Office as Partner

Frost Brown Todd (FBT) has announced the addition of Ryan Whitaker as a partner in the firm's Cincinnati office. Whitaker joins FBT with extensive experience in tax planning and compliance, business and transactional law, and real estate.

Whitaker's distinguished career includes a focus on federal, state, and local tax planning and controversy matters. He has successfully handled tax-free corporate reorganizations and divestitures, development projects under the Qualified Opportunity Zone program, tax audits, appeals, and tax court litigation. Additionally, Whitaker is well-versed in complex tax-deferred real estate exchanges.

In his real estate practice, Whitaker represents property owners, developers, and investors in a broad range of commercial real estate transactions, including acquisitions, divestitures, development, and leasing matters. His corporate practice involves counseling privately held businesses on commercial contract drafting and negotiation, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, shareholder agreements, and succession planning.

"We are thrilled to welcome Ryan to our team," said Mark Sommer, Frost Brown Todd's Tax, Benefits, and Estates practice group leader. "His extensive expertise in tax planning and real estate, combined with his dedication to client service, makes him a valuable addition to our firm. We look forward to the significant contributions he will make to our clients and our practice."

Whitaker's accolades include being named "Ones to Watch" in Tax, Litigation & Controversy, Trusts & Estates, and Corporate Law by Best Lawyers in America from 2021 to 2025. He is also actively involved in the community, serving on the Board of Trustees for PreventionFIRST! and chairing the Cincinnati Bar Association's Taxation Section.

"Frost Brown Todd's commitment to excellence and client service aligns perfectly with my professional values, and I am eager to

contribute to the continued success of our clients,” Whitaker said.

Whitaker holds a J.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Law and a B.B.A. from the University of Cincinnati. He is admitted to practice in the State of Ohio, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the United States Tax Court.

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