



#### INDUSTRIES

Law Firms and Lawyers  
Restaurant  
Real Estate

#### SERVICES

Wealth Management Services  
Tax Services  
Consulting for Businesses  
Consulting for Individuals

#### MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Illinois CPA Society
- Illinois Restaurant Association

#### CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

- Certified Public Accountant

#### EDUCATION

- B.A., Economics, University of Michigan
- M.S., Taxation, DePaul University

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Rob has been with ORBA since 1996 and is a member of the firm's Tax Leadership and Training Committees. Over the course of his career, Rob has gained extensive experience serving individuals, trusts, partnerships and privately-held corporations. His specialties include tax compliance, tax planning and consultations for owners and key executives. In addition, he represents taxpayers before the Internal Revenue Service and state taxing authorities.

Rob helps clients devise strategies for entity formation planning, mergers and acquisitions structuring and minimizing state income taxes. Rob works closely with many law firms, professional corporations, professional athletes, restaurants and also with a wide variety of other industries.

### PROACTIVE

Beyond continually developing his own skills so that he can best serve his clients, Rob passes along the knowledge he gains to others. As a member of ORBA's Tax Training and State and Local Tax Committees, he combs through pending legislation to be aware of tax issues before they become law. As he learns of tax updates, he shares them with clients and ORBA staff by creating tax alerts, blogs, authoring the ORBA *Tax Connections* Newsletter and hosting tax training sessions each year for the entire firm. Rob goes the extra mile to make sure everyone he serves, firm or clients, receives relevant tax knowledge and support as soon as he becomes aware of new issues.

### OUTSIDE OF THE OFFICE

While Rob focuses on supporting the firm and clients while on the job, away from work, he spends time supporting his community. Whether it's using his season tickets to Cubs games on a sunny summer day, visiting a local brewery or cheering on his alma mater, Rob enjoys being there with his family and friends.

### CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Treasurer, Stop Foodborne Illness
- Former Treasurer, Welles Park Parents Association

### BLOGS

- *Unused Gift Cards: Windfall or Burden?*
- *What Is Happening With the Employee Retention Credit?*
- *Stimulus Legislation Offers Relief for the Restaurant Industry*
- *Do Not Put Payroll Management on Autopilot*
- *Going Green Can Pay Off for Law Firms*
- *Don't Panic: How to Prepare for an IRS Audit*

## NEWSLETTERS

- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Spring 2024*
- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Winter 2024*
- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Fall 2023*
- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Summer 2023*
- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Spring 2023*
- *Tax Connections Newsletter – Winter 2023*

## CLIENT ALERTS

- *Chicago to Phase Out Subminimum Wage for Tipped Workers*
- *The IRS Warns Businesses about ERC Scams*
- *Year-End Spending Package Tackles Retirement Planning, Conservation Easements*
- *What Do the 2023 Cost-of-Living Adjustment Numbers Mean for You?*
- *Clean Vehicle Credit Comes With Caveats*
- *The Inflation Reduction Act Includes Wide-Ranging Tax Provisions*
- *Businesses: Act Now To Make the Most Out of Bonus Depreciation*
- *Four Tips for Working With a Resource-Constrained Internal Revenue Service*
- *Standard Business Mileage Rate to Increase on July 1 for Second Half of 2022*