# Yoram Keinan — Biography

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Yoram Keinan is a Partner in the Tax Practice of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP and lecturer at the University of Michigan Law School. With almost two decades of experience in tax law both in the United States and in Israel, Yoram Keinan focuses on U.S. and international taxation of financial products and institutions and represents major banks and investment firms. Prior to joining Smith Gambrell & Russell, Mr. Keinan headed Carter Ledyard & Milburn's Tax Practice in New York, served as shareholder at Greenberg Traurig's Tax and International Tax Practices in New York, as senior manager with Ernst & Young's National Tax Department in Washington, D.C., as an associate with Shearman & Sterling's Tax Practice in Washington, DC., and as a Manager with Ernst & Young’s tax department in Israel. Mr Keinan also practiced tax law in Israel for several years prior to his arrival at the United States and has been member of the Israeli Bar since 1996.

Mr. Keinan writes and speaks extensively on a wide range of tax matters. He has been teaching courses on Taxation of Financial Instruments at the University of Michigan Law School and Georgetown University Law Center, and had previously lectured Economics of Taxation at Harvard University, the University of Florida and American University. Mr. Keinan has published over 50 articles, some of which have been published at the Tax Lawyer and Florida Tax Review. He is also the author of the BNA Portfolio on The Economic Substance Doctrine. Aside from his teaching experience, Mr. Keinan has made over 100 presentations and speeches. Mr. Keinan earned his Doctor of Juridical Science (SJD) and LLM degrees from the University of Michigan Law School.  He also earned a dual Master’s degree from Harvard University in International Taxation and Public Administration; an LLM (Taxation) from the Hebrew University, an MBA from Bar Ilan University, and BA (Economics) and LLB degrees from Tel Aviv University.

