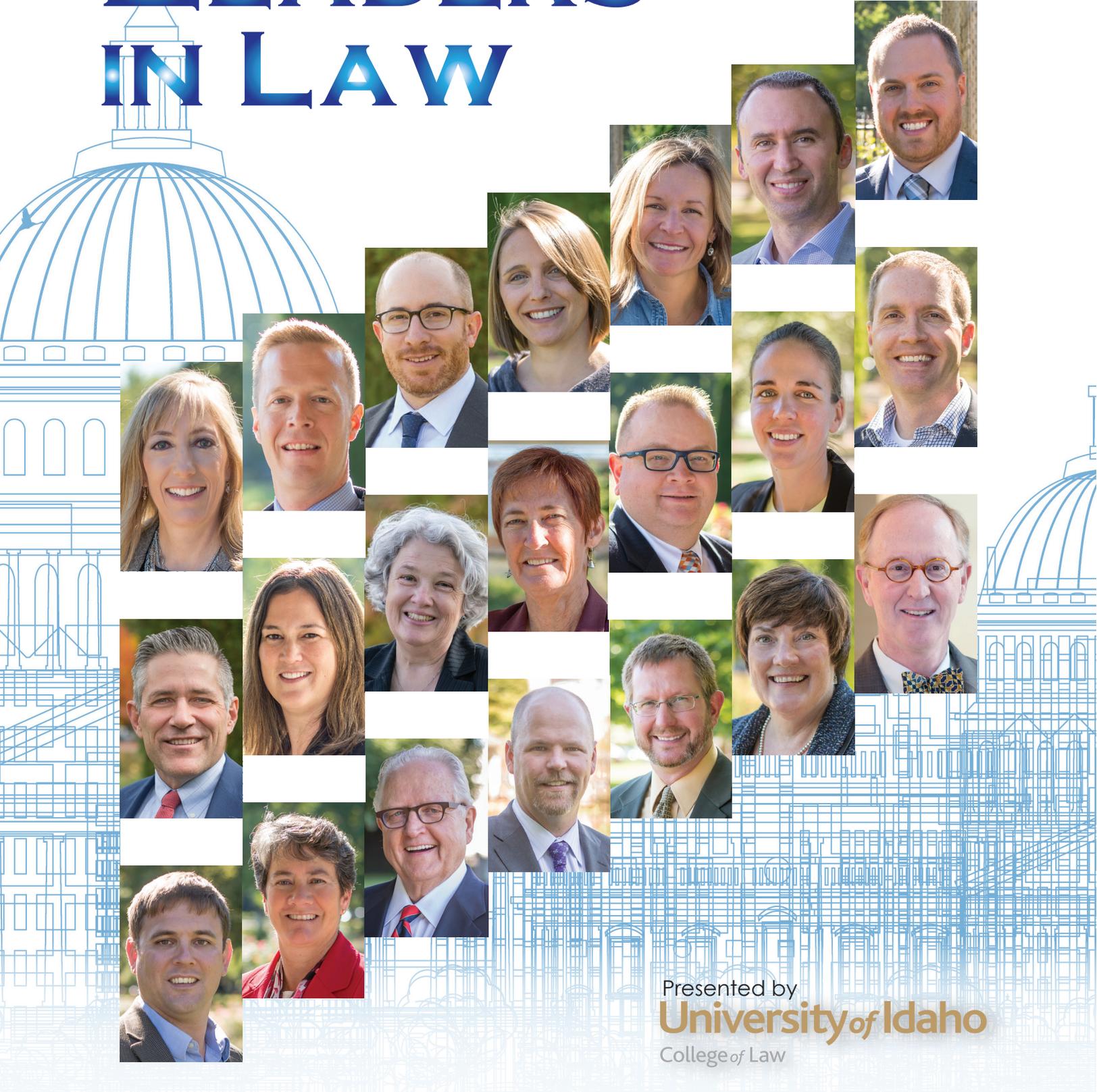


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Ron Caron Jr. is skilled at solving complex problems. Many would agree that today's Internal Revenue Codes are pretty high on the complex problem-solving scale. But taxes and Caron Jr. go hand in hand. He is a tax attorney who has solved his share of complex tax challenges for Treasure Valley clients for nearly 18 years.

"I see myself as an interpreter that guides clients through the very complicated subject of tax, estate, and probate laws," comments Caron Jr.

After receiving his law degree, he pursued a master's in Tax Law to sink his teeth into the complexity of state and federal tax codes that he says impact the lives of everyday people.

"There will always be a need for experienced tax professionals because taxes touch us in so many ways," he says. "Besides, whatever one thinks the government

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should do – whether national defense of safety nets – taxes serve as the necessary lifeblood to function properly."

He encourages his clients to have an ongoing open relationship with their tax consultants and simply not do a one-stop visit when tax time rolls around.

"Most people don't realize that tax planning prior to a transaction will cost them much less than tax resolution after the fact," he says, adding, "the client that plans ahead will always come out ahead."

A large chunk of his practice involves estate planning and probate which can be a daunting proposition for any family to go through. "I do my best to assist the family through this tough process," he says. "Each probate case is unique because families are unique and it's inevitable that the interpersonal dynamics of the family change after a death in the family."

In addition, as an adjunct professor for the University of Idaho, College of Law, he is more than happy to bring life lessons on wills, trust, and probate to the next generation of legal professionals.

"Real-life applications and not just an exercise in legal theory goes a long way in bringing life to any subject which gets people's attention," says Caron Jr.

He learned early in life growing up in Maine that lawyers play an important part in the community: he comes from a family of law professionals – his dad, grandfather, and uncle practiced law in southern Maine.

"Being a lawyer is about serving the community in which I live," he says. "My dad, the greatest single influence in my life, taught me that the true measure of a person is that which they contribute to society, not what they take from it."

With that mantra in mind, Caron Jr. is devoted to pro bono work taking on difficult and time consuming tax cases.

"Teaching and mentoring are really important to me," he says. "We don't progress as a society if each generation is left to their own devices to re-invent the wheel. Knowledge is a valuable commodity that must be preserved and passed on. And, it's a good feeling to know that I'm doing my part."

