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Les is a Brown Smith Wallace Member with extensive experience in tax planning and compliance and serves as a business and tax advisor for individuals, partnerships, corporations, trusts and estates. He also provides clients with personal financial planning, retirement planning and estate planning services.

Les continually monitors current developments in taxation and personal financial planning so he can develop innovative tax planning strategies for our individual and business clients.

As a member of the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants, Les has served on various committees and is a past chairman of both the State Taxation Committee and the Mid-America Tax Conference. He has also served on the Advisory Board on Taxation for the Missouri Director of Revenue. He has spoken before numerous business and professional groups.

Les is currently a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and is active in its Federal Tax and Personal Financial Planning divisions. He is a past member of the AICPA's Small Business Taxation Committee.

In addition to his professional activities, Les is actively involved with a range of charity initiatives, currently serving on the on the Ronald McDonald House Charities – Planned Giving Committee and the Center of Creative Arts (COCA) – Finance Committee.

Les obtained both his undergraduate and MBA degrees from Washington University in St. Louis. He is certified by the AICPA as a Personal Financial Specialist (PFS) and keeps current with all his specialties by attending a wide variety of continuing professional education courses.