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### PRACTICE AREAS

Taxation Law, Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions, Banking and Finance, Transactional Law, Labor and Employment Law, Litigation, and Election Law

### EDUCATION

- Elementary School: Davao Chong Hua High School (Formerly Davao Central High School) (1994-2000)
- High School: Davao Chong Hua High School (Formerly Davao Central High School) (2000 - 2004)
- College: Ateneo de Davao University, *Bachelor of Science in Accountancy* (2004 to 2008)
- Law School: Ateneo de Davao University College of Law, *Juris Doctor* (2010 to 2014)

### LICENSES

- Philippine Bar License (2015)
- CPA License (2008)

### PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- SGV & Co (Ernst and Young Philippines) Makati City, *Auditor* (2008-2010)
- SGV & Co (Ernst and Young Philippines) Davao City/Makati City, *Tax Senior Associate* (2014 to 2017)
- Augment General Counsel, Singapore, *Senior Commercial Lawyer* (2017 to 2018)
- Ateneo de Davao College of Law, *Part-time Instructor* (2017 to Present)
- Rizal Memorial College- School of Law, *Part-time Instructor* (2017 to Present)
- Jose Maria College of Law, *Part-time Instructor* (2017 to Present)
- Mapua Malayan Colleges, *Part-time Instructor* (2021 to Present)

Atty. Raymund's practice focuses on taxation, corporate law, regulatory compliance, transactions, and counseling. With an accounting and audit background, Raymund has an extensive knowledge of tax assessment audits, business licensing and corporate set up of simple and complex business models.

Raymund is actively involved in specialized projects such as corporate data privacy assessments, transfer pricing documentation, mergers and acquisitions, corporate rehabilitation; and corporate receivership.

Raymund is also a lecturer in various universities and law schools in Davao City. He is currently teaching corporation law, taxation law, partnership and agency, banking laws and other commercial laws including data privacy regulations in Ateneo de Davao University, Jose Maria College of Law, Rizal Memorial College – School of Law, and Mapua Malayan Colleges Mindanao.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

*Investor Regulatory Compliance.* Spearheaded the national, provincial, and municipal regulatory compliance (business and environmental) of a multi-million banana plantation project in Mindanao. Successfully convinced the provincial and municipal government of the viability of the project with strict adherence to environmental laws.

*Investment Advisory Services.* Advised and implemented the most cost and tax- effective structure for investors in the Information Technology industry for Philippine inbound and outbound investments, including the set-up of offshore legal entities.

*Corporate Set Up.* Facilitated the legal entity set up of domestic corporations (Filipino and foreign-owned) as well as Foundations, Holding companies and Special Purpose Entities.

*Mergers.* Assisted the regulatory compliance of corporate mergers from the Notification Requirement of the Philippine Competition Commission down to the local government business permit.

*Corporate Receivership.* Appointed as Receiver for a Corporate Liquidation case.

*Tax Audits.* Successively concluded tax audits of corporate client with the least financial impact.

*Tax Cases.* Managed tax advocacy engagements from the administrative level to the Court of Tax Appeals.

*Business Advisory Services.* Assisted corporate retainers operating in the real estate, mining, healthcare, construction, trading and import-export industries in their day-to- day legal concerns.

*Data Privacy.* Conducted Data Privacy and Data Transfer Impact Assessment for corporate client operating in EU and Non-EU countries.

### HONORS & AWARDS

- CPA Board Licensure Exam, *Top Notcher 9th Placer* (2008)
- Ateneo de Davao College of Law, *Dean's Lister Second Honor* (2010 to 2014)
- Ateneo de Davao, Bachelor of Science in Accountancy, *Magna Cum Laude* (2008)
- Ateneo de Davao University, *Accountancy Division Awardee* (2008)

### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- CPE for CPAs, *Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion Law (TRAIN) Law Updates*, (2018-2019)
- Davao Mega DSO Inlife, *Estate Tax Planning* (2018-2019)