



## Michael Johnston

Tax Principal

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Michael has 16 years of tax experience serving clients primarily in the technology and financial services industries with high-net-worth tax planning and compliance services.

Michael holds expertise in the following disciplines:

- Domestic and international individual, business, and fiduciary income tax compliance, and planning
- Foreign tax disclosure and reporting requirements for individuals and entities
- Multi-jurisdictional reporting and compliance requirements for deferred compensation
- Tax planning for equity transactions including RSUs, RSAs, ISOs, and Founder Shares
- Qualified Small Business Stock (QSBS) planning and consulting
- Representation before taxing authorities (IRS, FTB, etc.)
- Estate, trust, income, and charitable tax planning

Michael joined Seiler in 2022. His career includes seven years of international work experience with PwC, Tokyo, as well as experience working for Bay Area technology startups in consulting and sales.

### Education and Certifications

- Master's Degree in Taxation, Golden Gate University
- Bachelor's Degree in Finance, Marketing Minor, Asian Studies Minor, Loyola University
- Enrolled Agent (EA) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

### Professional Affiliations

- California Society of Certified Public Accountants

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