



## **Announcement: Peers again name Novak Legal Elite in *Georgia Trend* Magazine**

**November 26, 2010 Atlanta, GA** – Ricky B. Novak, President of Atlanta based Strategic 1031 Exchange Advisors, has again been named to *Georgia Trend* Magazine's Legal Elite as one of the top Tax Attorneys in the State. Novak was selected by his peers to this eighth installment of Georgia's Legal Elite. He also received this honor in 2009.

Novak was selected for both his real estate and tax knowledge, and more specifically, his expertise in structuring tax-deferred exchanges under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code. It is believed that Novak is again the only attorney in the state selected as Legal Elite for their expertise in this specialized area of law.

Strategic 1031 Exchange Advisors is a boutique consulting firm and qualified intermediary that specializes in 1031 exchange structuring for both domestic and international real estate investors and developers. The firm prides itself on its ability to create long-term strategic tax solutions that help clients define and achieve real estate investment objectives. Since its inception, the firm, unlike much of the industry, has implemented transparent investing policies and cutting-edge technology to provide clients with the highest levels of asset protection, with a focus on principal protection and liquidity preservation of exchange funds.

To compile the list, *Georgia Trend* mailed ballots to a sampling of lawyers who are members of the state bar and whose practice areas correspond to those that were featured in the magazine. Ballots were also available on *Georgia Trend's* website. Any attorney who is a member of the state bar and lives and practices in Georgia was eligible to participate in voting and to voted onto the Legal Elite list. Respondents were not able to vote for themselves; but they could vote for other members of their firm, so long as they voted for an equal or greater number of attorneys outside their firms. Places on the list are not available for sale, nor are they tied into paid advertising. Ballots were tallied and names verified by the *Georgia Trend* editorial staff.

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