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David Aughtry Honored for Lifetime Achievement in the 2019 Georgia Legal Awards

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David Aughtry, managing shareholder in Chamberlain Hrdlicka's Atlanta office, was honored in the 2019 Georgia Legal Awards in the Lifetime Achievement category, which was announced on April 18, 2019 and included in the April 19 issue of the Daily Report. The Daily Report recognized members of the legal community with Lifetime Achievement awards, honoring lawyers who have left a lasting imprint on the legal community of Georgia.

Soon after graduation from the University of South Carolina Law School, Aughtry joined the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a trial attorney in the Office of the Chief Counsel, where he also served as a tax shelter coordinator. Recently selected as a fellow of the International Society of Barristers, he is also recognized as a national authority in tax litigation in Chambers USA and the US Legal 500 Litigation Guide.

Aughtry has tried and / or argued on appeal more than 70 cases and successfully argued before the U.S. Tax Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court. Among several other landmark cases, Aughtry was successful in *Topping v. Commissioner*, the first case where the court recognized horses as a deductible business development tool. He was also chairman of the Budget and Investment committees of the State Bar of Georgia for five years and served as chairman of the Southern Federal Tax Institute where he continues to serve on its board of trustees.

A nationally recognized speaker, Aughtry has presented for several tax institutes and conferences, including the Georgia Tax Conference and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Valuation Conference.

Aughtry will be honored at the Georgia Legal Awards ceremony on June 20, 2019. More information on the award is available [here](#).