

# The **Holiday** Newsletter Faucher Law

Robert Greene, *Sebastian the Cat, Triplets, Chernobyl, Cabernet, Fuding White Tea*

## A Few of My Favorite Things From 2019

**F**avorite case outcome: My client is raising young teenagers. Their mother comes from a rich family and is drug-addicted. In the divorce proceedings, my client incurred huge legal bills, and while his ex did provide some alimony, it all went to attorneys' fees he was ordered to pay her. So he owed tax on money he never saw. I was able to file a Chapter 7 bankruptcy for him to wipe away his tax debt and provide a financially sound footing for his kids. **JDF**

### JOHN FAUCHER'S **BEST OF THE YEAR** LIST

Book	<i>The Laws of Human Nature</i> , Robert Greene. Starts by suggesting how to observe others without judgment, but moves into advice on how to live one's best life. Gives lots of new twists on well-known and obscure historical episodes.
Pet Adoption	Sebastian, a tuxedo cat <b>and</b> my newest employee! Check out his meowings on Instagram at <a href="https://www.instagram.com/sebastian.the.feline.paralegal">sebastian.the.feline.paralegal</a>
Movie	<i>Three Identical Strangers</i> , a tragic yet ebullient story of triplets placed into adoptions who find each other later in life and how they deal with their broken history. Also, can an adoption agency be evil?
Outing	Washington, DC, where I revisited my favorite spots: the Lincoln Memorial and my grandparents' graves at Arlington National Cemetery.
Professional Experience	The Great Legal Marketing Conference in Washington, DC. Inspiring meeting that helps me define whom I want to help: people in financial trouble, and people who can't get the IRS to understand their story.
Response From IRS	In two cases involving complicated property title questions, the IRS agreed with my clients that its notice of federal tax lien did not extend to their interests. In each case, the answer was worth more than \$150,000.
Restaurant	Geronimo, Santa Fe, NM. Elk tenderloin, pork shank, lavender crème brulee. Santa Fe has great food and flavors, and this was the top experience. My inner esthete appreciated the trip; my bank account did not.
Sight	My daughter rowing with her college team at a crew regatta. She loves this highly demanding and beautiful sport, and only discovered it in college. Unlike some in the news, she didn't use it to finagle admission.
TV Show	<i>Chernobyl</i> , a timely and powerful story of a corrupt political regime in decline. Amazing production values: we go from the roof of a burning nuclear power plant to the monolithic apartment buildings nearby and to the halls of the Kremlin.
Wine	Armida's 2015 <i>Cabernet Sauvignon, Block 8</i> , Sonoma Valley (kudos to Brandon Lapidés, winemaker, for this intensely fragrant and yummy wine).
Tea	Fuding White Tea. Clear and delicate looking, it has a robust, grassy taste.

### THE FAQ FILE:



### Love your Newsletter! Will there be more ahead?

Yes! In a few different ways. We're expanding next year to bi-monthly, four-page issues!

In addition to my signature quick-and-easy-to-read overview of a current tax or bankruptcy issue, look for these regular features: a favorite recipe (battle-tested on friends and family); a comic strip featuring Sebastian the Feline Paralegal; client success stories (to keep us all motivated); an update from *Faucher Family Farms* (this subsidiary of Faucher Law focuses on my egg-laying hens); and a spotlight on someone in my community making a positive difference (because I'd like to balance the naughty things going on with something nice).

## WELCOME TO FAUCHER LAW

**John D. Faucher** worked for 10 years as an IRS trial attorney, and has been in private practice since 2008. He and his team speak the legal language. They know the **tax and bankruptcy** systems and can help you get the best results. Have other legal issues? Call us.

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### *Other Holiday Traditions, Not So Much*

## Annual Missives Always In Style

**F**aucher Law has never said Bah-Humbug to the quaint tradition of the holiday newsletter. What better way to reflect on the year and reach out to colleagues, friends and family?

So, in this end-of-the-year issue of **The Newsletter**, a recap of my favorites from 2019, including a case worth a champagne toast, plans to expand **The Newsletter** in 2020, and an introduction to **Sebastian the Feline Paralegal**, pictured below in the attire that made him runner-up to me in the office's Ugliest Seasonal Sweater Contest, a truly hair-raising sartorial showdown.



New "Hire"! Sebastian is a handsome tuxedo cat with especially big eyes and paws but, more importantly, he's a fully-integrated member of the team here. Follow his contributions to Faucher Law on Instagram at **sebastian.the.feline.paralegal**



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