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WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 9, 2009

Presiding Officer:
Elsbeth T. Peshel, Austin, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens
Includes continental breakfast.

8:35 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

8:45 a.m. 2.00 hrs

Recent Developments in Federal Income Taxation

A discussion of the significant court decisions, rulings, and statutory and regulatory developments over the past twelve months.

Martin J. McMahon Jr., Gainesville, FL
Ira B. Shepard, Houston, TX

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Margin Tax Update

Significant developments and issues, including legal analysis and practical tips.

Moderator
Cynthia M. Ohlenforst, Dallas, TX

Panelists:
Jerry Howard Oxford, Austin, TX
Michael B. Seay, Austin, TX

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:
Michael L. Cook, Austin, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:00 p.m. Pick up Box Lunch
Included in conference registration.

12:30 p.m. .50 hr

Tax Shelters: Regulation and Policy

A look at the history of the recent tax shelter phenomenon, the Treasury, IRS and Congressional response, and the issues that remain.

Eric Solomon, Former Assistant Secretary (Tax Policy),
U.S. Treasury Department, Washington, DC

1:00 p.m. Break

1:15 p.m. 1.00 hr including .50 hr ethics

Dealing with the IRS in the Practical World

This session explores a number of problems involving factual situations that practitioners face in the real world and possible solutions to these problems.

Larry Jones, Dallas, TX

2:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

IRS Collection Procedures

Over the past few years, the Internal Revenue Service has more than doubled its enforced collection activities. This session covers the best strategies for representing your client before the IRS Collection Division, including strategies for dealing with aggressive IRS employees seeking to collect taxes on behalf of the IRS. Topics include IRS notices and collection procedures; negotiation for extensions and installment agreements; cases appropriate for offer in compromise; and the best bargaining strategies.

Robert E. McKenzie, Chicago, IL

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. 1.50 hrs ethics

There's a New Sheriff in Town: What Practitioners Need to Worry About as Preparers

This panel reviews the standards for preparation of tax returns in IRC Section 6694 and Circular 230, and the practices and procedures of the IRS Office of Professional Responsibility. Discussion includes how to avoid getting in trouble and, if that fails, how to get out of trouble.

Moderator:
Farley P. Katz, San Antonio, TX

Panelists:
Deborah A. Butler, Washington, DC
Karen L. Hawkins, Washington, DC

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 10, 2009

Presiding Officer:
Maxine Aaronson, Dallas, TX

8:00 a.m. Conference Room Opens
Includes continental breakfast.

8:30 a.m. 1.50 hrs

Workouts and Troubled Businesses

Current developments in the workout area including the legislative changes in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and an examination of several fact patterns that raise multiple workout issues both relating to the taxpayer's problems and the tax practitioner's ethical concerns embedded in most workout and bankruptcy situations.

Michael L. Cook, Austin, TX
George R. Nelson, Houston, TX

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. .75 hr

Employment and Other Tax Issues in Bankruptcy

A discussion of the priority, dischargeability and other bankruptcy-related issues affecting employment (trust fund) taxes, as well as other miscellaneous bankruptcy tax issues.

Brandon S. Jones, Fort Worth, TX
Stephen M. Pezanosky, Fort Worth, TX

11:00 a.m. .75 hr

Taxation of Compensatory Partnership Interests

A review of the taxation of carried interests including an in-depth analysis of legislative initiatives and pending regulatory guidance.

William Paul Bowers, Dallas, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:
James F. Martens, Austin, TX

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12:15 p.m. .75 hr

Tax Legislation in 2010 and Beyond

This session considers the prospects for tax legislation in 2010 and beyond, including the possibility of fundamental tax reform.

George K. Yin, Edwin S. Cohen Distinguished
Professor of Law and Taxation, University of Virginia
School of Law, Charlottesville, VA

1:00 p.m. Break

1:15 p.m.

1.50 hrs

Litigating Tax Shelters

The panel analyzes common litigation themes and issues in the trials of several civil and criminal tax shelter cases, including the factors which have resulted in the limited number of wins by taxpayers. Discussion includes the trial of the Kapok case in the Virgin Islands, which resulted in 99 "not guilty" verdicts, and the conflicting "sham transaction" standards applied in the trial of civil and criminal tax cases.

Moderator:

Charles J. Muller III, San Antonio, TX

Panelists:

Jill Frisch, Newark, NJ
Charles M. Meadows Jr., Dallas, TX
John A. 'Jack' Townsend, Houston, TX

2:45 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m.

1.00 hr including .25 hr ethics

Bringing It All Back Home: Unreported Offshore Assets

The IRS and the Department of Justice have focused attention on offshore bank accounts and other assets. This session addresses the issues faced by taxpayers and their advisors who want to come into compliance, and the civil penalties and criminal charges risked by those who don't. Topics include the IRS voluntary compliance program, as well as a discussion of FBAR filings, and the issues that arise when foreign accounts are held in the form of foreign trust or corporation, or when they involve inheritances and gifts, including the penalties for failing to file Forms 3520 and Forms 5471.

Kathryn Keneally, New York, NY
Charles J. Muller III, San Antonio, TX

4:00 p.m.

.75 hr

President Obama's Tax Plans

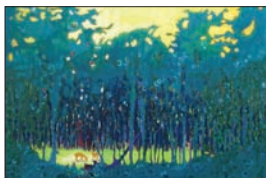
On December 4, 2009, the Obama Tax Reform Task Force will report its plans to the President, through the larger Economic Recovery Advisory Panel, of which it is a part. The mandate to the Tax Force is that no revenue is to be raised in 2009 or 2010, and that revenue raised thereafter must be borne by taxpayers making over \$250,000 a year.

Calvin H. Johnson, Austin, TX

4:45 p.m.

Adjourn

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Stanley M. Johanson, Austin, TX

7:45 a.m. Registration Opens
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8:30 a.m. 1.25 hrs

Recent Developments Affecting Estate Planning

The status of legislation regarding estate, gift and generation-skipping transfer tax, regulatory developments and rulings relating to valuation issues, family limited partnerships, qualified plans and IRAs, marital deduction planning, gifts, disclaimers, and other estate planning topics.

Stanley M. Johanson, Austin, TX

9:45 a.m. Break

10:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Beneficiary Defective Inheritor's Trust (BDIT) as a Planning Tool

A BDIT is a dynastic trust set-up and funded by someone other than a wealthy client, and can produce transfer tax savings and creditor protection even though the client is a beneficiary and investment trustee. Because the BDIT is income tax defective, the client can transact with the trust and transfer significant wealth to it without income tax consequences, while still obtaining beneficial enjoyment of the BDIT's assets. Because the wealthy client will be paying income tax on the BDIT assets, the client's estate will be "tax burned" reducing the client's wealth which would otherwise be exposed to estate tax and creditors even though the client is a trustee and a beneficiary.

Richard A. Oshins, Las Vegas, NV

11:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Income Tax Aspects of Family Limited Partnerships and LLCs

Estate planners are very familiar with the transfer tax aspects of family limited partnerships and LLCs, but sometimes they forget about the important federal income tax issues related to the formation, operation, and liquidation of these entities. This session focuses on the income tax traps lurking at every turn and the practical strategies for avoiding them.

Samuel A. Donaldson, Seattle, WA

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

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Stanley M. Johanson, Austin, TX

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Innovative Charitable Gifting in Estate Planning: Case Studies

Over 30 years of insights on how charitable gifting, as part of estate planning, is viewed and used by planners and clients, including innovative uses of charitable gifting plans, profiles of clients who incorporate charitable gifting in their planning, and which plans have been of most interest during the first decade of the twenty-first century.

Laura Hansen Dean,
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

1:00 p.m. Break

1:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

The United States Tax Court from an Estate and Gift Tax Litigator's Perspective

One of the best ways to avoid litigation is to prepare and implement your clients' estate plans as if they might be tested in court. This presentation discusses how to do that; what documentation to gather and preserve, the maintenance of evidentiary privileges, the crucial selection of valuation experts, and other steps you can take to improve the audit/litigation survivability of your plans. There is also an overview of how a transfer tax case is handled by the Tax Court to assist you in educating your clients about that option.

William R. (Trey) Cousins III, Dallas, TX

2:15 p.m. Break

2:30 p.m. 1.75 hrs including .75 hr ethics

Estate Planning Workshop

The Workshop covers practical issues relating to ethical issues commonly faced by practitioners in the estate planning area; hot-button issues stemming from recent cases and regulations (final and proposed); new audit techniques and procedures being employed by the IRS in examination of estate and gift tax returns; and the panelists' view on current "hot" estate planning techniques.

Moderator:
Stanley M. Johanson, Austin, TX

Panelists:
William R. (Trey) Cousins III, Dallas, TX
Samuel A. Donaldson, Seattle, WA
Richard A. Oshins, Las Vegas, NV
Steven J. Tackett, Austin, TX

4:15 p.m. Adjourn

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