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## The Alabama Federal Tax Clinic, Inc., Presents The 62nd ANNUAL FEDERAL TAX CLINIC

Dear Fellow Tax Professionals:

The Alabama Federal Tax Clinic, Inc., the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Alabama State Bar, and The University of Alabama invite you to the 62nd Annual Federal Tax Clinic. This year the Clinic will be presented on November 20-21, 2008, at the Bryant Conference Center on the campus of The University of Alabama. We hope that you will join us.

As you review the program schedule, you will see that the Board of Directors of the Clinic has planned a diverse program presenting a broad array of timely topics. The Board of Directors decides on program topics based on the Directors' own experience regarding current trends and issues in taxation. We have recruited well qualified and talented speakers, and the program promises to be informative and entertaining. We are optimistic you will agree that the program will be beneficial to your practice.

We are indebted to our speakers for their presentations at the Clinic and the time and effort they devote to the preparation of written materials which prove to be valuable reference resources. We know you will enjoy the topics and speakers and hope you will join us in thanking our speakers for the time they take to share their knowledge.

The Board of Directors of the Clinic is also grateful to our exhibitors and our sponsors for enabling the Federal Tax Clinic, Inc. to fulfill its mission to award scholarships to students studying taxation. This year we will award \$32,000 in scholarships to students entering the Masters of Accountancy program of the Culverhouse School of Accountancy of the College of Commerce and Business Administration and the School of Law of The University of Alabama. Please take the opportunity during the Clinic to visit the exhibitors to determine if any of their services or products can be useful to you. Please also express your thanks to the many participating sponsors for their generous support of the mission of the Federal Tax Clinic, Inc.

Finally, we are grateful to the staff of The University of Alabama's College of Continuing Studies, whose dedication throughout the year makes this Clinic possible. Their time, effort, and service are the most critical and essential elements in the successful presentation of the Clinic itself. We appreciate the staff's efforts throughout the year which culminate in the presentation of the Clinic.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's Clinic. We are confident that you will find it worthwhile and enjoyable. We also, however, want to continue to improve the Clinic. If you have any comments or suggestions as to how the Clinic can better meet your needs, we will appreciate your sharing them with us.

Very truly yours,

Bradley J. Sklar  
Clinic President  
(bsklar@sirote.com)



# 2008 Federal Tax Clinic PROGRAM SCHEDULE

## Thursday, November 20, 2008

**7:30 - 8:30 a.m.**

**Registration Check-in Process  
Continental Breakfast  
Exhibits**

**8:30 - 8:45 a.m.**

**Welcome & Opening**

*Bradley J. Sklar, Esq.*  
Clinic President  
Sirote & Permutt, P.C. Law Firm

**8:45 - 10:15 a.m.**

**Current Developments in Federal Income Taxes**

*Edward J. Schnee, Ph.D., CPA*  
Culverhouse School of Accountancy  
College of Commerce and Business Administration  
The University of Alabama  
Presider: Bradley Sklar, Esq.

Dr. Schnee will discuss selected legislation, judicial decisions, and administrative rulings during the last year affecting federal income taxes.

**10:15 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Break & Exhibits**

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Current Developments in Alabama Taxes**

*Robert C. Walthall, Esq.*  
Bradley Arant Rose & White LLP  
Presider: Stuart Frentz, Esq.

Mr. Walthall will discuss recent Alabama tax developments, including multi-state tax issues, state and local tax nexus, tax apportionment cases and rulings, tax filing changes, penalties and related issues. Mr. Walthall will also review multistate tax developments with the use of LLCs, S Corporations, Business Trusts and other entities.

**11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

**The 409A Two-Minute Drill: What's Your Compliance Strategy?**

*James M. McCarten, Esq.*  
White & Reasor, PLC  
Presider: Robert L. Ingram, CPA

As the clock runs down toward the final deadline for 409A plans (December 31, 2008), are you and your clients prepared? Are the client's deferred compensation plans finally 409A compliant? The IRS has rescued taxpayers not once, but twice from the disastrous consequences of not getting deferred compensation plans compliant with 409A's requirements. Do not expect additional extensions. This program will help you identify those plans and arrangements most at risk and develop strategies for successfully pulling them into compliance before the deadline hits.

**12:30 - 1:30 p.m.**

**Lunch**

*Bradley Sklar, Esq.*  
Clinic President  
Sirote & Permutt, P.C. Law Firm

**Recognition of Scholarship Recipients**

**The University of Alabama  
Culverhouse School of Accountancy**

*Stacie Allen, Hartselle, AL (James W. Wilson Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

*Sarah Bohman, Wetumpka, AL (Sam I. Diamond, Jr. Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

*Steven Kelly, Jacksonville, FL (John F. Smither, Jr. Scholarship)*  
Graduate of the University of Florida

*Alana Price, Marietta, GA (John P. North, Jr. Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

*Donald Stephenson, Pensacola, FL (Dilmus Ray Richey Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

**The University of Alabama School of Law**

*Kane Burnette, Birmingham, AL (Charles B. Bailey, Jr. Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

*Jonathan Guin, Tuscaloosa, AL (James M. Scott Scholarship)*  
Graduate of Searcy University in Arkansas

*Chip Tait, Camden AL (G. Porter Brock, Jr. Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

*Wendy Hardegree, Birmingham, AL (Forrest D. Herrington Scholarship)*  
Graduate of The University of Alabama

**1:30 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Recent Developments Affecting Real Estate and Pass-Through Entities**

*Stefan F. Tucker, Esq.*  
Venable Attorney at Law  
Presider: Conrad C. Pitts, Esq.

This session will include an in-depth discussion of recent legislation, cases and rulings as they affect real estate transactions, as well as partnerships and limited liability companies and their members.

**3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Break**

**3:15 - 4:15 p.m.**

**Now You See It, Now You Don't: Navigating In and Out of Disregarded Entity Status**

*Deanna Harris*  
KPMG, LLP  
Presider: Trent Marek, CPA

In recent years, disregarded entities have become increasingly popular in federal tax planning. This session highlights some of the perils and pitfalls to be aware of when existing, regarded entities are converted to disregarded entities, and vice versa.

**4:15 - 5:15 p.m.**

**Recent Developments in Estate and Gift Tax**

*Charles D. "Skip" Fox IV, Esq.*  
McGuire Woods, LLP  
Presider: Mark E. Hieronymus, CPA

This will be a review of recent legislation, cases, and regulatory rulings affecting the estate, gift, generation-skipping, and fiduciary income taxes. Among the areas to be discussed are the marital deduction, gifts, valuation, family limited partnerships and limited liability companies, retirement benefits, charitable giving, the income taxation of trusts and estates, value-shifting techniques, and insurance. This session is intended to make estate planning professionals aware of the latest developments in their field and how these developments may impact their work and the advice they give their clients.

**5:15 - 6:45 p.m.**

**Reception  
Bryant Museum**

# FEDERAL TAX CLINIC CHAIRPERSONS

- (1,2,&3) Fred W. Nichols, CPA,  
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- (4) Kermit T. Hart, CPA,  
Mobile (Deceased)
- (5) James E. Money, CPA,  
Tuscaloosa (Deceased)
- (6) James W. Wilson, CPA,  
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- (7 & 8) Edward L. Powers, CPA,  
Birmingham (Deceased)
- (9) William M. Keller, CPA,  
Birmingham (Deceased)
- (10) James L. Dent, Jr., CPA,  
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- (16) Bill Goodner, CPA,  
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- (29) James M. Scott, Esq.,  
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- 32) Jack S. Harris, CPA,  
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## Friday, November 21, 2008

**7:30 - 8:00 a.m.**

### **Continental Breakfast & Exhibits**

**8:00 - 9:00 a.m.**

### **Knowing the Ins and Outs of Retirement Distributions**

*Pamela D. Perdue, Esq.*

Summers, Compton, Wells & Hamburg

Presider: S. Travis Bartee, Esq.

Even if you think your small business client only wants to roll over his/her distribution to an IRA, learn what you need to know on how best to take the money out of the IRA (or retirement plan) in order to: preserve as much deferral as possible; reduce income taxes, minimize required distributions, and where necessary, access funds in an emergency.

**9:00 - 10:15 a.m.**

### **S Corporation Hot Topics**

*Steven R. Looney, Esq.*

Dean, Mead, Egerton, Bloodworth, Capouano &

Bozarth, P.A.; and

Ronald A. Levitt, Esq.

Sirote & Permutt, P.C.

Presider: Steven N. Smith, CPA

This presentation will focus on recent and proposed legislative changes, employment tax issues, the regulations on open account indebtedness, basis issues pertaining to back-to-back loans and issues relating to the operation of S Corporations through limited liability companies.

**10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break & Exhibits**

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

### **Section 704(b), §704(c), and §754 Can Be Your Friend If You Understand Them – An Overview**

*Jerry S. Williford, CPA*

Grant Thornton, LLP

Presider: Sanford "Sandy" A. Willis, CPA

An overview of (1) the requirement to maintain a 3rd set of books, (2) tracking differences between the value and tax basis of contributed properties, and (3) adjusting basis of partnership property in connection with sales of interests, deaths of partners, and distributions of property.

**11:30 - 12:30 p.m.**

### **Fixing Mistakes in an Ethical, Professional and Practical Manner**

*Thomas L. Evans, Esq.*

Kirkland & Ellis, LLP

Presider: Thomas J. Mahoney, Jr., Esq.

This presentation focuses on different techniques a tax professional may use to correct or fix mistakes. Here, the professional needs to balance the need to act creatively with the requirement to avoid violating ethical or professional rules that could cause major problems for both the client and the professional. The program will include a variety of possible solutions, including seeking 9100 relief from the IRS, the need or obligation to file amended returns, changes of accounting, rescission, and other practical suggestions.

### **12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Box Lunch - Ethics Issues for Tax Preparers in Section 6694 and Section 7216**

*Tony Szczepaniak, Esq.*

RSM McGladrey, Inc.

Presider: Gary S. Anglin, CPA

Session will include a discussion of ethics issues that tax return preparers may encounter as they comply with new tax return preparer regulations under Section 6694 and new regulations under Section 7216 that restrict preparers from sharing client tax return information.

**1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

### **Dancing With a Grizzly Bear: What's Happening in Tax Controversy**

*David D. Aughtry, Esq.*

Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin

Presider: Robert L. Ingram, CPA

Through a skit and brief panel discussion, we will focus upon the collision between policy-based inducements and the aversion of the IRS to tax benefits and do so in today's most common controversy, the conservation easement.

**2:30 - 3:30 p.m.**

### **Year-End Tax Planning Strategies**

We will discuss and explain a number of short-term and year-end tax strategies for individuals.

**3:30 p.m. Adjourn & Evaluations**

## LAGNIAPPE ("Something Extra")

### **CLINIC RECEPTION**

*For Clinic participants and spouses/guests*

*Sponsored by the Office of University Advancement*

*5:15—6:45 p.m., Thursday, November 20, 2008, at the Bryant Museum.*

*This welcome to The University of Alabama campus is sponsored by the Office of University Advancement. Relax with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Meet other tax professionals from around the state. **There is no charge.***

### **CHAIR MASSAGE**

*For Clinic Participants*

*10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Friday, November 21, 2008*

*Two Neuromuscular therapists will be stationed in the back of Sellers Auditorium. Feel free during the presentations to step back and have a relaxing chair massage while you listen to the speaker! **There is no charge.***

# Student Scholarship Program

Due to the generosity of our special Clinic sponsors (see General Information section of brochure), the Federal Tax Clinic, Inc. Board of Directors has been able through the years to offer scholarships to worthy students entering The University of Alabama School of Law and The University of Alabama Culverhouse School of Accounting. This year the Federal Tax Clinic presents five \$4,000 scholarships to attend The University of Alabama Culverhouse School of Accounting, named after the following individuals: James W. Wilson, Sam I. Diamond, Jr., John F. Smither, Jr., John P. North, Jr. and Dilmus Ray Richey. The four \$4,000 scholarships to attend The University of Alabama School of Law are named after Charles B. Bailey, Jr., James M. Scott, G. Porter Brock, Jr. and Forrest D. Herrington.



Dr. Ed Schnee presents The University of Alabama Culverhouse School of Accountancy Scholarship Recipients for 2007. Left to Right: Dr. Schnee, Ms. Mandy Britt, Mr. Andrew Bliss, Mr. Matthew Ams, Ms. Lauren Bres and Mr. David Stoker.



Dr. Jim Bryce presents The University of Alabama School of Law Scholarship Recipients for 2007. Left to Right: Ms. Marcia St. Louis, Mr. Henry S. Long III, Mr. David Humber, and Dr. Bryce.

- (34) William A. Tate, CPA, Tuscaloosa
- (35) Thomas N. Carruthers, Jr., Esq., Birmingham
- (36) L. Paul Kassouf, CPA, Birmingham (Deceased)
- (37) Gregory L. Leatherbury, Jr., Esq., Mobile
- (38) G. Wayne White, CPA, Birmingham
- (39) Robert C. Walthall, Esq., Birmingham
- (40) Yuell B. Busey, CPA, Mobile
- (41) Thomas G. Mancuso, Esq., Montgomery
- (42) Samuel F. Parker, Jr., CPA, Foley
- (43) L. B. Feld, Esq., Birmingham
- (44) Harry M. Donaldson, CPA, Birmingham (Deceased)
- (45) Robert C. Tanner, Esq., Tuscaloosa (Deceased)
- (46) Gerard J. Kassouf, CPA, Birmingham
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- (60) Brian T. Williams, Esq. Birmingham
- (61) Cecil G. Bostany, CPA Birmingham

## SPEAKERS



Aughtry

**David D. Aughtry, Esq.**, is the managing partner in the Atlanta Office of Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin. David practices in the area of civil and criminal tax controversy. In his prior life, he served as the Tax Shelter Coordinator and a Trial Attorney of the Office of Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service (1978-82) where he tried *Brannen v. Commissioner*, 78 T.C. 230 (1983), aff'd., 722 F.2d 695 (11th Cir. 1984) and a number of other first generation tax shelter cases before joining Chamberlain, Hrdlicka and defending shelter cases. He and others in his firm tried and won *Plains Petroleum Company and Subsidiaries v. Commissioner*, T.C. Memo 1999-241, and *Peadan v. Commissioner*, 113 T.C. 6 (1999), which involved I.R.S. corporate tax shelter allegations as to motive and economic substance. Unable to attend a normal college, David graduated from the Citadel with a degree in English (taught as a second language) in 1975. He then graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Masters in Accountancy and a law degree in 1978, and from Emory with a Masters in Taxation (L.L.M.) in 1982. He taught tax controversy as an Adjunct Professor at Emory University School of Law (1987-93, 1997-98, 2003), and has served as an instructor for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, "Litigating Before The United State Tax Court" program since 1993. He served as Chairman of the Finance Committee for the State Bar of Georgia (1987-93), and is a Fellow in the International Society of Barristers.



Evans

**Thomas L. Evans, Esq.**, is a partner in the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis, LLP located in Chicago, Illinois. Prior to joining Kirkland & Ellis LLP, he was a professor at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin, Texas, where he taught in tax and business area. Before joining academia, Evans was with the U.S. Department of Treasury Department's Office of Tax Policy in Washington, D.C., where he served as Associate Tax Legislative Counsel. Tom Evans' practice is quite broad and includes expertise in corporate and partnership tax, extensive experience in mergers and acquisitions and other similar transactions; work in the private equity and venture capital "fund" area, tax-exempt organizations, financial products, international tax, and involvement with tax controversies including both administrative appeals with the IRS as well as litigation in court. He received his B.S. at Illinois University; J.D. University of Chicago (Order of the Coif); and is a CPA in Arizona.



Fox

**Charles D. ("Skip") Fox IV, Esq.**, is a partner in the Charlottesville office of McGuire Woods LLP. Previously, Skip practiced for twenty-five years with Schiff Hardin LLP in Chicago. Skip concentrates on business succession. For over 20 years, he has taught at the American Bankers Association National Trust School and National Graduate Trust School. Skip taught at Northwestern University School of Law (1983-2005), and is a Lecturer at the UVA School of Law. He is a frequent lecturer across the country at seminars on trust and estate topics. He is co-presenter on the American Bankers Association monthly teleconference series. Skip has contributed articles to numerous publications, including *ACTEC Journal*, *Trusts & Estates*, *Estate Planning*, *Trusts & Trustees*, *Real Property*, *Probate and Trust Journal* and the *Journal of Asset Protection*, and is a regular columnist for *Trust & Investments* on tax matters. He is now Chair of the Editorial board of *Trust & Investments*. Skip is a member of the CCH Estate Planning Advisory Board. He is co-editor of *Estate Planning Strategies after Estate Tax Repeal: Insight and Analysis* (CCH-2001). He is also the author of the *Estate Planning With Life Insurance* volume of the *CCH Financial Planning Library*, and a co-author of four books, *Estate Planning Manual* (3 volumes, 2002), *Tax Law Guide*, *Glossary of Fiduciary Terms*, and *Fiduciary Law and Trust Activities Guides*, published by the American Bankers Association. Skip is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (for which he serves as a Regent, Chair of the Editorial Board, and on the Asset Protection, Estate and Gift Tax, Legal Education, and Program Committees) and is listed in *Best Lawyers in America*. He is also a member of the Duke University Estate Planning Council. Skip has provided advice and counsel to major charitable organizations and serves or has served on the boards of several charities, including Episcopal High School and the University of Virginia Law School Foundation. He received his A.B. from Princeton, his M.A. from Yale, and his J.D. from the University of Virginia.



Harris

**Deanna Harris**, Deanna Walton Harris, is a senior manager in the Corporate group of KPMG's Washington National Tax practice. She concentrates on the federal taxation of corporations, partnerships, S corporations, and the issues arising from mergers and acquisitions involving those entities. Ms. Harris earned an LL.M. in taxation, with distinction, from the Georgetown University Law Center. She received her J.D., magna cum laude, from Indiana University, where she served on the *Indiana Law Journal* and was a member of the Order of the Coif. She received her B.S. in economics from Purdue University. Prior to joining KPMG, Ms. Harris was an attorney with the Internal Revenue Service's Office of Chief Counsel, Passthroughs and Special Industries Division. While with Chief Counsel, she worked extensively on both public and private guidance regarding the taxation of partnerships, S corporations, and disregarded entities.



Levitt

**Ronald A. Levitt, Esq.**, is a shareholder with the Birmingham law firm of Sirote & Permutt, P.C. Ronald's practice focuses on business and tax planning issues for closely held businesses. Ronald counsels clients in the areas of business planning, mergers and acquisitions, federal and state tax planning and controversy matters, health care law (focusing on the representation of physician practices) and estate planning. Ronald graduated with a B.S. in Marketing from The University of Alabama School of Business (*cum laude*) in 1979, and remained at the University to earn an MBA and law degree in 1983 at the University's School of Law. He then earned an LLM in Taxation from the University of Florida in 1984. Ronald is listed in *Best Lawyers in America* in Taxation and has been named as a Fellow in the American College of Tax Counsel and recently served as Chair of the ABA Taxation Section's S Corporation Committee and as President of the Birmingham Tax Forum. He has served as Chairman of the Alabama Bar's Tax Section and as President of the Federal Tax Clinic, Inc. He also has served as an adjunct professor of law for both The University of Alabama School of Law's LLM in Taxation Program and Cumberland School of Law, teaching partnership taxation and is a frequent speaker for seminars on business and tax law issues and is a frequent instructor for the American Bar Association Tax Section, the New York University Institute on Federal Taxation, the Alabama Society of CPAs, the Federal Tax Clinic, Inc., the Birmingham Tax Forum and other organizations. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Birmingham Bar Association and the Alabama State Bar.



Looney

**Stephen R. Looney, Esq.**, is a shareholder in the law firm of Dean, Mead, Egerton, Bloodworth, Capouano & Bozarth, P.A., in Orlando, Florida. He received his B.A., with honors, in Accounting and Business Administration from Drury College in 1981 and earned his J.D., cum laude, from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1984, where he was also a member of the Order of the Coif and the Missouri Law Review. He received his Master's in Taxation from the University of Florida in 1985. Mr. Looney practices in the areas of tax, corporate, partnership, business and health care law, with an emphasis in entity formations, acquisitions, dispositions, redemptions, liquidations and reorganizations. His clients include closely held businesses, with an emphasis in medical and other professional practices. Mr. Looney is a Florida Board Certified Tax Lawyer, and is a member of The Florida Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas and the Missouri Bar Association. He has his CPA Certificate, and is a member of the Missouri Society of CPAs. Mr. Looney is a past-chair of the S Corporations Committee of the American Bar Association Tax Section. Additionally, Mr. Looney is on the Board of Advisors and Department Heads for the *Business Entities* journal where he also serves as one of the editors for the *Current Developments* column. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel. Mr. Looney writes and speaks extensively on a nationwide basis on a variety of tax subjects. His articles have appeared in a number of professional publications, including the *Journal of Taxation*, *The Tax Lawyer*, the *Business Entities* journal, the *Journal of S Corporation Taxation*, the *Journal of Partnership Taxation*, and the *Journal of Corporate Taxation*.



McCarten

**James M. McCarten, Esq.**, Practice Areas: Taxation (Federal, State and Local Planning and Litigation); Estate Planning, Administration and Probate; Closely-Held Business Planning and Counseling; Business Succession Planning and Counseling; Nonprofit Corporations. Mr. McCarten began his professional tax career with Coopers & Lybrand. Following law school, he litigated tax cases for the U.S. Department of Justice. Mr. McCarten has been included in The Best Lawyers for America since 2003 in the areas of Estates and Trusts, Nonprofit/Charity Law and Tax Law. He was named by Mid-South Super Lawyers Magazine to the initial Top 100 Tennessee Super Lawyers list in 2006 and again in 2007. A Fellow in the *American College of Trust and Estate Counsel*, Jim has served as the Chair of the Tennessee Bar Association's Tax Section (2006-2007) and as a Trustee of the *Paul J. Hartman State & Local Tax Forum*, the *Tennessee Federal Tax Institute* and the *Advanced Institute on Corporate Taxation*. He is the author of a professional treatise and numerous articles on tax-related topics and a frequent speaker at tax programs for CPAs and attorneys. Education: University of Kansas (B.S. Accounting, 1979); University of Missouri-Kansas City (J.D. 1984); Emory University (LLM, Taxation, 1990). Bar Admissions: Missouri, 1984; Georgia, 1988; Tennessee, 1991. Member: Kansas City (MO), Knoxville, Georgia, Missouri, Tennessee (Chair, Tax Section, 2006/2007), and American Bar Associations.



Perdue

**Pamela D. Perdue, Esq.**, is Of Counsel to the St. Louis, Missouri law firm of Summers, Compton, Wells & Hamburg where she practices in the area of Employee Benefits. She is the author of the books *Qualified Pension and Profit Sharing Plans* published by Warren, Gorham & Lamont, a division of RIA (updated annually), 2nd of *Qualified Plans: Forms, Notices, 2nd Supplementary Materials* published by ALT-ABA. In addition, she is the author of numerous articles in the field of Employee Benefits which have been published in national journals including: *The Journal of Compensation and Benefits*; *Taxation for Lawyers*; *Taxation for Accountants*; *Taxation of Employee Benefits*; *The American Law Institute-American Bar Association Course Materials Journal*; the *International Association of Merger and Acquisition Consultants Newsletter*; and *The Practical Tax Lawyer*. She is listed in the Best Lawyers in America under the Employee Benefits Section. Ms. Perdue received her JD from the University of Georgia School of Law. She is a Fellow of the American College of Employee Benefits Counsel as well as a member of the American Law Institute. Ms. Perdue is a frequent national speaker on the topic of employee benefits having made presentations for such organizations as the American Law Institute-American Bar Association; the Southern Federal Tax Institute; the Tennessee Federal Tax Institute and numerous other organizations. She was previously an adjunct professor with the Washington University School of Law LLM in Taxation program where she taught the Advanced Pension Course.



Schnee

**Edward J. Schnee, Ph.D., CPA**, is the Hugh Culverhouse Professor of Accounting and Director of the MTA Program, Culverhouse School of Accountancy, College of Commerce and Business Administration, The University of Alabama. He is the Director of the Masters of Tax Accounting program, has authored over fifty articles and is a co-author of a widely used textbook on taxation. Dr. Schnee is a member of the ATA and the AICPA Tax Division.



Szczepaniak

**Tony Szczepaniak, Esq.**, is a managing director with RSM McGladrey, Inc. and tax director of the RSM McGladrey Network. He supports Network Firms by leveraging technical specialists across the Firm and assisting them in the distribution of their expertise. Tony provides extensive time with Network Firms by providing specialized assistance in practice management of the tax function. This includes tax client situations reviews, tax practice reviews, technical educational sessions, and development of tax policy manuals. Tony has been a member of the National Tax division of RSM McGladrey, Inc. He was responsible for providing technical tax support in accounting methods & periods, inventory, and research & development tax credits. He provided guidance to those serving the manufacturing industry, and was instrumental in the development and management of extended tax service packages. He was the facilitator for the Tax Accounting Methods and the Research & Development Technical Advisory Groups. He served as a member of the AICPA Tax Accounting Methods Tax Resource Panel (TRP). While on the TRP, he participated and led numerous Task Force Committees responsible for developing and submitting comments to the Internal Revenue Service and Treasury. His education includes: Elmhurst College, BA Accounting; DePaul University, MST Taxation.



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## SCHEDULE

Registration will be from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2008; sessions are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. with a break for lunch. On Friday, November 21, 2008, sessions are from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with a one-hour break for lunch.

## PROGRAM CHANGES

The University of Alabama reserves the right to cancel, postpone or combine sections or make instructor changes.

## DISCOUNTS

Organizations registering 3 or more persons for this program will receive a group rate of \$297/person (10% discount). It is requested that group registrations be submitted simultaneously for discount fee to apply.

## REFUND POLICY

Cancellations received after November 5, 2008, will be charged a \$50 processing fee. Refunds cannot be made after November 15.

## SUBSTITUTIONS

There is no charge for substitutions; however, you must notify the on-site registration personnel that you are a substitute.

## LOCATION and LODGING

The **62nd Annual Federal Tax Clinic** will be held in the Bryant Conference Center, a premier learning facility located on The University of Alabama campus at 240 Paul Bryant Drive in Tuscaloosa. Make plans to visit the Paul W. Bryant Museum (\$2/person) located between the Conference Center and the Hotel Capstone (formerly the Four Points Sheraton).

A block of rooms will be held at the Hotel Capstone (formerly the Four Points Sheraton) until October 17, 2008, at a special rate for program attendees at the Four Points Hotel. Rooms may be reserved by calling 205-752-3200. Please identify yourself as a program participant when making reservations.

## EDUCATIONAL TAX DEDUCTION

Treasury regulations may permit an income tax deduction for educational expenses (registration fees, travel, meals and lodging) undertaken to maintain or improve professional skills.

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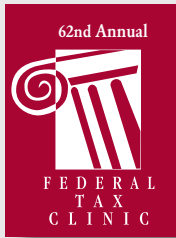
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