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Schedule

AM SESSION

THURSDAY, MAY 19

3.5 CLE/CPE

- 8:00 – 8:30 Breakfast and Sign In
- 8:30 – 8:45 Introduction to Program
Stephen M. Breitstone
- 8:45 – 9:45 Estate Planning through an Asset Protection Lens
Gideon Rothschild
- 9:45 – 10:45 Current Developments in Estate Planning
Sharon L. Klein, Mary P. O'Reilly and Sanford J. Schlesinger
- 10:45 – 11:00 Break
- 11:00 – 12:00 Cross Border Tax Planning—Structuring Foreign Investment in U.S. Real Estate
Alan I. Appel, Stephen M. Breitstone and Phillip S. Pepper
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

PM SESSION

THURSDAY, MAY 19

4.5 CLE/CPE

- 1:00 – 2:00 The Delaware Trust Option for New York, New Jersey and Connecticut Residents
Richard W. Nenzo
- 2:00 – 3:00 Estate Planning with Grantor Trusts – Storm Clouds on the Horizon
Stephen M. Breitstone, Robert L. Goldfarb, David C. Jacobson and Barry L. Sunshine
- 3:00 – 3:15 Break
- 3:15 – 4:15 Using Partnerships to Maximize Basis in Estate Planning
Professor Jerome M. Hesch and Paul L. Lee
- 4:15 – 5:15 Rethinking the Fabric of Estate Planning
Amy F. Altman and Avi Z. Kestenbaum

Question and Answer period will follow each topic

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FRIDAY, MAY 20		AM SESSION	3.5 CLE/CPE
8:00 – 8:30	Breakfast and Sign In		
8:30 – 8:45	Introduction to Program <i>Stephen M. Breitstone</i>		
8:45 – 9:45	The Full Price of a Mistake: Tax Penalties, Transferee Liability and Fiduciary Liability <i>Megan L. Brackney and Bryan C. Skarlatos</i>		
9:45 – 11:00	Meet Your Taxpayer Advocate: Major Challenges Facing Taxing Authorities and the Taxpayer Advocate’s Role in Assisting Taxpayers <i>IRS Service Taxpayer Advocate Nina E. Olson, NYS Taxpayer Rights Advocate Margaret Neri, NYC Taxpayer Advocate Diana Leyden, Robert N. Brown, CPA and Laurie B. Kazenoff</i>		
11:00 – 11:15	Break		
11:15 – 12:15	Surrogate’s Court Practice Update <i>Hon. John M. Czygier, Jr., Eric W. Penzer, Hon. A. Gail Prudenti and Jason J. Smith</i>		
12:15 – 1:30	Lunch with Guest Speaker Jeffrey Goldenberg, Managing Director of the Portfolio Advisory Group at Goldman Sachs, will be speaking on “Economic and Financial Markets Outlook - What Lies Ahead”		
FRIDAY, MAY 20		PM SESSION	3.5 CLE/CPE (1 in Ethics)
1:30 – 2:30	Coming Clean with Offshore Accounts – The Current Status of Voluntary Offshore Disclosure <i>Professor Linda Galler, Kelly A. McGowan and Mordy Serle</i>		
2:30 – 3:30	Developments in Income Taxation of Real Estate, Capital Gains Taxation and 1031 Exchanges <i>Professor Bradley T. Borden, Glenn M. Johnson and Mark E. Wilensky</i>		
3:30 – 4:30	<i>Recent Changes in the Regulation of Tax Practice and Ethics</i> <i>Professor Linda Galler</i>		

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Stephen M. Breitstone – is a partner and Vice Chairman of Meltzer Lippe, Director of the Private Wealth & Taxation Institute, Chair of the Private Wealth & Taxation Group at Meltzer Lippe and STEP Long Island's Co-Chair. The Private Wealth & Taxation Group includes both the Tax Group and Trust & Estates Group. Steve handles domestic and international, income estate and gift tax planning for high net worth individuals, closely held businesses and real estate owners; 1031 Exchanges, income taxation of corporate mergers and acquisitions; taxation of workouts and bankruptcies; federal, state and local tax procedure and controversies. Steve is on the advisory board of the New York Institute on Federal Taxation and a Fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel. *LL.M. Tax, NYU; J.D., Cardozo School of Law; Adjunct Professor at Cardozo School of Law.*

GOVERNMENT SPEAKERS



Nina E. Olson – Internal Revenue Service Taxpayer Advocate, the National Taxpayer Advocate, is the voice of the taxpayer at the IRS and before Congress. Under her leadership, the Taxpayer Advocate Service helps hundreds of thousands of people every year resolve problems with the IRS and addresses systemic issues within the IRS. Her Annual Report to Congress identifies the most serious problems facing taxpayers and recommends solutions.



Margaret Neri - Taxpayer Rights Advocate and Ethics Officer, she was appointed New York State Taxpayer Rights Advocate in July 2014. Margaret also serves as the Tax Department's Ethics Officer, providing guidance to managers and supervisors and training for employees across the state.



Diana Leyden – Diana was appointed Special Trial Judge with the United States Tax Court as of June 2016 and has an extensive career in tax advocacy. Diana joined the New York City Department of Finance to open and head the Office of the Taxpayer Advocate in July 2015. Before joining city government, she was the founder and director of the University of Connecticut School of Law Tax Clinic – a free legal service that helps low-income taxpayers with tax problems – which she led since 1999. *LL.M. in Taxation, Georgetown University; J.D., UConn Law.*



Hon. John M. Czygier, Jr. – Judge of the Surrogate's Court, Suffolk County was admitted to practice law in New York State in 1975. After serving as a prosecutor in the Suffolk County District Attorney's office, he entered private practice and, for 25 years, concentrated in estate administration and estate litigation in the New York metropolitan area. He is a member of the Suffolk County Bar Association, where he served as Director, Chair of the Surrogate's Court Committee and Co-Chair of the Bench Bar Committee. *J.D., Hofstra University School of Law.*

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Bradley T. Borden - is a Professor of Law at Brooklyn Law School, where he teaches Federal Income Taxation, Partnership Taxation, Taxation of Real Estate Transactions, and Unincorporated Business Organizations. Before entering the legal academy, he practiced law at Oppenheimer, Blend, Harrison & Tate, Inc., in San Antonio, Texas, and now frequently works as an expert witness or consultant in cases related to partnership and real estate taxation. He is also Of Counsel with the New York law firm Tjong & Hsia, LLP. *LL.M. and J.D., University of Florida.*



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Robert L. Goldfarb, CPA, PFS, CGMA, CFE, DBAFA, DBAFE – Bob is a Principal of Janover, LLC and past President of the National Conference of CPA Practitioners and served as Chair of their National Tax Policy Committee and their National Issues Committee for several years. He recently completed a 3 year term on the governing council of the American Institute of CPAs and is an active member of the NYS Society of CPAs where he served as a member of several of their committees including the Executive Board of the Nassau County Chapter.



Jerome M. Hesch - serves as a tax and estate planning consultant for lawyers and estate planning professionals throughout the country and acts as Special Tax Counsel to Oshins & Associates in Las Vegas Nevada and Meltzer Lippe. He is the Director of the Notre Dame Tax and Estate Planning Institute, on the Tax Management Advisory Board, a member of the American College of Trusts and Estates Council (ACTEC) and the American College of Tax Council. He has published numerous articles, Tax Management Portfolios, and co-authored a law school casebook on Federal Income Taxation, now in its fourth edition. *J.D., State University of New York at Buffalo.*



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