# The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Tax Controversy Forum

November 3, 2009 Sinclair Community College



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# SOLVE THE TAX CONTROVERSY PUZZLE!

Tax practitioners are seeing a sharp increase in tax controversies and disputes. That trend will only continue as the IRS and state governments gear up for increased collection activities.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Tax Controversy Forum will provide you with a broad view of the tax collection process and the key areas of controversies and disputes. Come learn from experienced tax practitioners, including tax attorneys, CPAs, and representatives from the State of Ohio, Internal Revenue Service agents, Appeals officers, and criminal investigators.

November 3, 2009 8:30 – 5:00 (lunch included) SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE (Ponitz Center) 444 West Third St., Dayton, OH

Approved for 6.75 hours Ohio CLE and CPE

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Any attorney, accountant, enrolled agent, or person who represents taxpayers in state or federal tax matters.

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#### 8:00 - 8:30 REGISTRATION- CONT. BREAKFAST

#### 8:30 - 9:15 THE FUTURE OF FEDERAL TAX **ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION**

Learn about recent changes, current proposals, and tax policy considerations likely to impact federal tax administration and collection in the future.

#### 9:15 - 10:00 OHIO'S NEW STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS ON COLLECTIONS

In 2006, the Ohio General Assembly passed House Bill 390 creating a new statute of limitations on tax collections, effective September 28, 2009. Learn how the new statute of limitations applies to various taxes and become familiar with the key exceptions.

Moderator: CHAD HANSEN, Taft Stettinius & Hollister Panelists: MERLE WILBERDING, Coolidge Wall Taft/ LUCAS WARD, Ohio Attorney General's Office JAMES LAWRENCE, Zaino & Humphrey

#### 10:00 - 10:15 MORNING BREAK

#### 10:15 - 11:00 STATE OF OHIO AUDIT AND **COLLECTION ISSUES**

This panel will discuss the latest State of Ohio audit initiatives, and collection issues. There will also be discussion of settlement alternatives and procedures.

Moderator: JAMES LAWRENCE, Zaino & Humphrey Panelists: RICK ANTHONY, Deputy Tax Commissioner for Audit and Compliance, Ohio Department of Taxation MARGE BREWER, Executive Administrator Appeals Management, Office of Chief Counsel

#### 11:00 - 12:00 MANAGING AN AUDIT AND **HEADING TO APPEALS**

Learn how to effectively manage an audit to minimize further controversy and litigation. This panel will also discuss how to prepare your case for IRS Appeals, including utilizing mediation and arbitration measures.

Moderator: DAVID G. HARRIS, Ernst & Young Tax Controversy and Risk Management Services, Columbus, Ohio Panelists: Speaker from IRS Audit Division Speaker from IRS Appeals

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#### 12:00 - 1:15 LUNCH AND KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY **OHIO TAX COMMISSIONER RICHARD A. LEVIN**

#### 1:15 - 2:30 THE CRIMINAL TAX CASE

Learn what to do when a client, or you as the tax practitioner, faces criminal investigation or prosecution. This panel will discuss the keys in identifying and properly handling criminal tax issues in any engagement.

Moderator: **GREGORY LOCKHART**, Taft Stettinius & Hollister Panelists: Speaker, IRS Criminal Investigation Division Taft/ LANCE A. GILDNER, Taft Stettinius & Hollister RALPH KOHNEN, Taft Stettinius & Hollister

### 2:30 - 3:15 TRUST FUND PENALTY CASES

There is a new push to criminally prosecute responsible parties. This panel will address the key issues in defending a trust fund penalty case, both civil and criminal, and how to implement business procedures to protect against a responsible party assessment.

Panelists: Taft/

Moderator: CHAD HANSEN, Taft Stettinius & Hollister MARK FEUER, Dinsmore & Shohl Speaker, U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division

#### 3:15 - 3:30 AFTERNOON BREAK

#### 3:30 - 5:00 WHEN DOES TAX PLANNING BECOME **TAX FRAUD?**

There can be a very fine line at times between tax planning and tax fraud. Listen to this panel discuss the keys in determining when tax planning may be going too far. With an increase in criminal prosecutions, it is crucial for the tax practitioner to avoid implications of tax fraud and protect clients from prosecutions.

Moderator: LANCE GILDNER, Taft Stettinius & Hollister Speaker, IRS Criminal Investigation Division Panelists: **GREGORY LOCKHART.** Taft Stettinius & Taft/ Hollister

MICHAEL CRITES, Dinsmore & Shohl

# 5:00 CONCLUSION OF TAX CONTROVERSY FORUM