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SPEAKER'S CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

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June 2-3, 2003

Mealey's Asbestos Bankruptcy Conference

Location: The Westin Hotel, Philadelphia, PA Speakers: **Elihu Inselbuch** and **Peter Lockwood** On June 2nd, Mr. Elihu will give an update on the current bankruptcy landscape including the impact of recent filings. On June 3rd, Mr. Lockwood will be discussing the value of companies post-bankruptcy. **For more information, see:**

http://www.mealeys.com/conferences/sem AsbBn k603.html

June 2-4, 2003

2003 Reinsurance Association of America (RAA) Education Conference

Location: Four Seasons Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

Speaker: Richard Timbie

On June 2nd, Mr. Timbie will be a panel speaker on the "Effect of Sarbanes-Oxley Rules on Tax

Practices."

For more information, see:

http://community.reinsurance.org/source/Meetings/MeetingsHome.cfm?section=Events

June 5, 2003

Annual Spring Estate Planning Practice Update

Speaker: Beth Shapiro Kaufman

Ms. Kaufman will speak on current and important issues in estate planning during this ALI-ABA live satellite television program.

For more information, see:

http://www.ali-aba.org/aliaba/VPDO605.htm

June 5-6, 2003

55th Annual Virginia Conference on Federal Taxation

Location: Charlottesville, VA

Speakers: **Mortimer Caplin** and **Richard Skillman** On June 6th, Mr. Caplin will be chairing the afternoon session in which Mr. Skillman will speak on "Hot Issues in Deferred Compensation."

For more information, see: http://www.vacle.org/php-

bin/ecomm4/products.php?product_id=323&PHPS ESSID=ac5defee84cc0d75d7183e4247430d18

June 23-25, 2003

American Conference Institute's National Forum on Corporate Compliance with the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act

Location: St. Regis Hotel, Washington, DC Speakers: **Trevor Potter** and **Kirk Jowers** Mr. Potter is co-chairing this conference and will present an "Update on the Constitutional Challenge." Mr. Jowers will speak on "Devising an Effective Corporate Political Speech and Communication Strategy Under the BCRA." He will also speak during a post-conference workshop on "How Corporations Can Establish and Administer Political Committees (including PACs) and Engage in Regulated Political Activities Under BCRA."

For more information, see:

http://www.americanconference.com/contentframe s.cfm?ID=2133

June 27, 2003

Czechoślovak Art and Sciences International Conference

Location: Cedar Rapids, Iowa Speaker: **Milton Cernv**

Mr. Cerny will discuss international philanthropy and

charitable cross-border grant making at this

conference.



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Notes and Notables

July 9, 2003

Buildable Hours, Inc.

Once again, **Caplin & Drysdale attorneys** will participate in Buildable Hours, Inc. They will spend an entire day helping to build a Habitat for Humanity home in D.C.

June 20-21, 2003

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

Several **Caplin & Drysdale employees** will participate in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Silver Spring, MD.

June 2003

American Law Institute Project

Thomas Troyer and other selected advisers will meet in June to review the current draft of the American Law Institute project on "Principles of the Law of Nonprofit Organizations."

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Summer 2003

"Private Foundations and Policy Making"

The Practical Tax Lawyer

By: Thomas Troyer and Douglas Varley

June 2003

"Tax Accounting Monthly Column"

Corporate Business Taxation Monthly

By: James Salles

June 2003

"Babylon Revisited: Recovery of Antiquities"

The Exempt Organization Tax Review

By: Milton Cerny

In his International Dateline Column, Mr. Cerny discusses how ancient artifacts are being looted in Iraq and how the world philanthropic community must take steps to protect and preserve them for posterity.

June 2003

"Civil Society NonProfit Organizations in a Market Economy"

SUV Conference By: Milton Cerny

May 9, 2003

New Appointment

Milton Cerny was recently appointed the new Subcommittee Chairman of the Exempt Organizations Tax Section on Intermediate Sanctions and Excess Benefits.

May 7, 2003

Attorney Represents Czech American Community at White House Reception

At the invitation of the National Security Advisor, **Milton Cerny** represented the Czech American Community at a White House reception honoring the seven new NATO countries that were approved by the U.S. Senate for NATO membership.

May 2003

New Appointment

David Rosenbloom was recently appointed to the board of the Amsterdam Center for International Law (ACIL).

April 2003

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow Program

Milton Cerny led a discussion about the Washington legal practice with ten fellows in the American University Washington College of Law's Hubert Humphrey Fellowship Program.

May/June 2003

"Tax Law and the First Amendment Meet in <u>National</u> Federation"

Taxation of Exempts

By: Lloyd Mayer

May 7, 2003

"Summary of Effect of McConnell v. FEC Decision On Tax-Exempt Groups"

Tax Notes Today

By: Lloyd Mayer

May 7, 2003

"Codification of Economic Substance"

Caplin & Drysdale Memorandum

By: Christopher Rizek

This memorandum summarizes the current status of efforts to codify the "economic substance doctrine."

May 1, 2003

"Attorneys Comment On Proposed Nondiscrimination Requirements For Governmental Plans"

Tax Notes Today

By: Richard Skillman and Jason Bortz

In the article, Mr. Skillman and Mr. Bortz respond to the IRS's call for comments on guidance dealing with the application of the nondiscrimination rules to qualified section 414(d) governmental plans.



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In the News

June 3, 2003

"Alpha Sig's Finest: Milt Cerny"

Alpha Sigma Phi Tomahawk Magazine

Milton Cerny's background and his achievements are highlighted in this magazine.

June 2003

"Clients Guide"

Influence

Trevor Potter and **Kirk Jowers** along with a description of the firm's Political Activity Law practice are all highlighted in this new lobbying magazine.

May 30, 2003

"U.S. Tax-Cut Loopholes Aid SUV Buyers, Teens' Parents"

Bloomberg News

In the article, **Christopher Rizek** discusses the applicability of the new reduced rate of tax on dividends to distributions on certain preferred stock instruments.

May 27, 2003

"IRS Mailed H&R Block Products To Taxpayers"

Tax Notes Today

Christopher Rizek comments on the IRS's push for people to e-file their taxes and the decision to send some taxpayers an H&R software product for free. (The article also appeared in the May 26th issue of Tax Notes.)

May 23, 2003

"Practitioners Summarize Effect On EOs Of Court's Ruling On Campaign Finance Law"

Tax Practice & Controversies

Lloyd Mayer discusses the recent BCRA ruling and the effect it has on exempt organizations particularly with regard to issue ads. He also discusses "MCFL" organizations in the article.

For more information, please contact the Marketing Department at (202) 862-5000 or e-mail bcg@capdale.com.

May 20, 2003

"Rain Doesn't Dampen Graduation Spirits" UVA Top News Daily May 19, 2003

"Be Flexible, Graduates Are Advised"

TimesDispatch.com

Mortimer Caplin's commencement speech at the University of Virginia's graduation ceremony is highlighted in these articles.

May 19, 2003

"Up-and-Coming AUSAs"

Legal Times

In the article, **Preston Burton** compliments James Cooper's trial style.

May 19, 2003

"Tax Plan Takes Shape: Income, Dividend Effects of Tax Bill Come to Focus – House, Senate Bills Would Trim Marginal Rates, Lift Child Credit And Ease the 'Marriage Penalty'"

The Wall Street Journal

Mortimer Caplin comments on the provisions of the tax-cut bill.

May 19, 2003

"Traficant Goes On Shopping Spree At House Gift Shop"

Roll Call

Trevor Potter comments on what is acceptable and unacceptable with the use of campaign funds.

May 18, 2003

"Admiral, Former IRS Commissioner Address State's Graduates'"

TimesDispatch.com

"Grads Get A Wet Sendoff"

The Daily Progress

Mortimer Caplin's commencement speech at the University of Virginia's graduation ceremony is highlighted in the article.

May 17, 2003

"Aftereffects: New Government; In Reversal, Plan For Iraq Self-Rule Has Been Put Off"

The New York Times

Walter Slocombe is mentioned in the article for his responsibility in examining the growing problem of how to get under control the military forces that each of the main Iraqi opposition leaders now controls in Iraq and his plan to meld them into a national security force.



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In the News

May 17, 2003

"UVA Graduation Brings Caplin To Alma Mater" The Daily Progress

Mortimer Caplin's achievements are highlighted in the article.

May 16, 2003

"Senate Cracks Down On Corporate America"

Associated Press

Associated Press Online

Christopher Rizek comments on the current tax legislation.

May 14, 2003

"Findings That Third Parties Exclude Costs From Options Will Not Sway IRS, Sources Say"

Tax Management Transfer Pricing Report
In the article, Patricia Lewis predicts the IRS's response
to a PricewaterhouseCoopers study showing that
unrelated parties engaged in joint research and
development efforts do not share employee stock option
costs.

May 13, 2003

"NRA Asks High Court To Block Ruling On Interest Groups' Ads"

The Washington Times

Trevor Potter is mentioned in the article about the National Rifle Association asking the Supreme Court to block part of the recent lower court ruling that rewrote the rules guiding outside interest groups running issue ads.

May 13, 2003

"Ex-Pentagon Official To Reshape Iraq Army"

United Press International

Walter Slocombe is mentioned in the article for his participation in the reorganization of the Iraqi defense ministry and military.

May 12, 2003

"The Big Story With John Gibson"

Fox News

Preston Burton appeared on this news program to discuss espionage.

May 12, 2003

"Practitioners Summarize Effect On EOs Of Court's Ruling On Campaign Finance Law"

Tax Notes

Lloyd Mayer discusses how a recent ruling that struck down portions of the campaign finance reform law will affect the political and fund-raising activities of tax-exempt organizations.

(This article also appeared in the May 7th issue of Tax Notes Today.)

May 12, 2003

"Babcock: More Time For Reorg"

Daily Deal

Peter Lockwood discusses why more time is needed to file a finalized disclosure statement with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for Babcock & Wilcox Co. and its official committee of asbestos claimants.

May 10, 2003

"What Next?"

The National Journal

Trevor Potter comments on how some of the issues of the campaign finance law will likely be split among the justices of the Supreme Court.

May 9, 2003

"Book and Tax (Part Two): A Selective Exploration Of Two Parallel Universes"

Tax Notes

Christopher Rizek is cited in this article on reconciling book and tax accounting in which he calls for increased transparency in both Schedule M and the tax footnote.

May 8, 2003

"Tax Report Briefs"

The Wall Street Journal

Mortimer Caplin's delivery of the commencement address at the University of Virginia is mentioned.

May 6, 2003

"Status Quo Reigns As Lawyers Sort Through Campaign Money Court Decision"

Gannett News Service

Trevor Potter comments on the ruling of a special three-judge panel with regard to the McCain-Feingold campaign finance law.



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May 6, 2003

"Campaign Finance Ruling"

NPR Radio - The Diane Rehm Show

Trevor Potter appeared on this radio program to discuss a ruling issued by a three-judge panel on the McCain-Feingold campaign finance law.

May 5, 2003

"CFR Ruling 'Guts' Portions Of Law"

Roll Call

Trevor Potter comments on the recent ruling of the new campaign finance law and how he's confident the Supreme Court will uphold the entire act.

May 5, 2003

"EO Reps Gather In Washington For Updates On Key Issues"

Tax Notes

In the article, Marcus Owens discusses Section 4958 and how the IRS is developing ways to measure compliance and combat excess benefit transactions involving exempt organizations.

May 3, 2003

"Soft Money Ban Is Dealt Legal Blow But Prohibition On Attack Ad Funding Upheld"

The Boston Globe

Trevor Potter comments on a three-judge panel ruling with regard to the campaign finance reform law.

May 1, 2003

"Ex-Agent Gets Some Immunity In Spy Case"

The New York Times

Preston Burton comments on an espionage case against an ex-F.B.I. agent who was given limited immunity.

May 1, 2003

"James Cooper, District of Columbia"

The American Lawyer

In the article, **Preston Burton** compliments James Cooper's trial style.

May 2003

Outlook Magazine - Fidelity Investments

In the article, Christopher Rizek discusses tax shelters in general and how individual investors can recognize and avoid them.

April 30, 2003

"FEC May Audit Common Cause Head For Breaches"

The Hill

Kirk Jowers comments on how political candidates need to be responsive to FEC requests or else they could be a likely target for an audit.

April 16, 2003

"Practitioners Predict Conflict, Headaches If IRS Takes Options Position Beyond Cost Sharing"

Tax Management Transfer Pricing Report Patricia Lewis comments on the Internal Revenue Service's proposed cost sharing regulations and how the inclusion of stock options outside cost sharing would affect companies.

Success Stories

May 23, 2003

Firm Obtains Unusual Grant Determination

Caplin & Drysdale obtained an unusual grant determination from the IRS for the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, a 501(c)(3) public charity. The \$50 million grant from the Kresge Foundation will drive the \$500 million redevelopment and restoration of the Detroit Riverfront Properties of the City of Detroit and adjoining communities. The project had the strong support of the Governor of Michigan and the congressional delegation.

HEAD OF THE CLASS

August 2003

University of Sydney

Faculty: David Rosenbloom

Mr. Rosenbloom will teach an international taxation class in Australia.