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## Speakers Corner

December 2004

December 6-7, 2004

### Mealey's Asbestos Bankruptcy Conference

Location: Sheraton New York Hotel & Towers in New York, NY

Speaker: **Elihu Inselbuch and Nathan Finch**

Topic: Update on the Current Major Bankruptcies (**Elihu Inselbuch**) and Substantive Consolidation in Bankruptcy Cases (**Nathan Finch**)

For Information: [www.mealeys.com/conferences](http://www.mealeys.com/conferences)

December 7, 2004

### ABA Teleconference

Speaker: **Rebecca Rosenberg**

Topic: International Tax After the Jobs Act: What You Need to Know

For Information: [www.abanet.org/cle](http://www.abanet.org/cle)

December 7, 2004

### 2004 COGEL Conference (Council on Governmental Ethics Laws)

Location: San Francisco, CA

Speaker: **Trevor Potter**

Topic: The Reform Agenda after BCRA: What Needs to be Done Before 2008

December 9-10, 2004

### 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute on Current Issues in International Taxation

Location: The George Washington University, Washington, DC

Speakers: **Patricia Lewis, Advisory Board Member and H. David Rosenbloom**

Topic: Application of Functional Analysis to Corporate Restructurings (**Patricia Lewis**) and Ask the IRS (**H. David Rosenbloom**)

For Information: [www.law.gwu.edu/ciit](http://www.law.gwu.edu/ciit)

January 21, 2004

### ABA Midyear Meeting

Location: San Diego, CA

Speaker: **Rebecca Rosenberg**

Topic: International Important Developments

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January 22, 2005

American College of Tax Counsel, Annual Meeting

Location: San Diego, CA

Speaker: Mortimer Caplin

Topic: 2005 Griswold Lecture

## Honors & Appointments

Mortimer Caplin chaired the "Washington Group" session of the Virginia Tax Study Group meeting at UVA School of Law on November 19, 2004.

Scott Michel has been named co-chair of the Tax Fraud Subcommittee of the ABA Criminal Justice Section's White Collar Crime Committee.

## Pro Bono

October 22-24, 2004

Mortimer Caplin, a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono & Public Service, met in Rancho Santa Fe, CA to discuss the ABA's Pro Bono programs and President elect Michael Greco's emphasis on Public Service.

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## Recent Publications

November 30, 2004

**"Criminal Tax Investigations and Current-Year Returns: New Thoughts on a Perennial Issue"**

*Andrews White-Collar Crime Reporter*

By: Scott Michel

Mr. Michel's article addresses one of the more complex and intriguing issues that arise in a criminal tax investigation, the annual requirement that every U.S. taxpayer file a timely, accurate and complete tax return, and the implications of this requirement for the target of the investigation.

December 2004

**"Technology Transfer: The New Economy"**

*The Exempt Organizations Tax Review*

By: Milton Cerny

Mr. Cerny's article discusses creative uses of tax exempt organization research organizations in joint ventures with commercial organizations.

## In The News

November/December 2004

**“Gold Standard”**

*Tax Business*

Recognized **H. David Rosenbloom** as one of the top 50 key movers and shakers in the tax market.

November/December 2004

**“Collision Course”**

*Tax Business*

Quoted **Patricia Lewis** as saying the answer to global transfer pricing is finding a workable set of rules instead of perfection since transfer pricing is a spectrum open to interpretation.

November 2, 2004

**“Wrong time for an image ad”**

*The Denver Post*

**Trevor Potter** commented that the ad campaign launched by Coors Brewing Company prior to the U.S. Senate election and featuring chairman Pete Coors, may not run afoul of FEC regulations if the ads do not mention Mr. Coors.

November 2, 2004

*ABC News Tonight*

Interviewed **Trevor Potter** as an election law expert on legal controversies in the Presidential election.

November 3, 2004

**“How Will Bush 43 Part II Play for Wealth Managers?”**

*Wealth Management Letter*

Interviewed **Beth Kaufman** about permanently repealing the Federal estate tax and indicated her belief that George W. Bush will push for the repeal now that he has secured the White House for another four years.

November 7, 2004

**“Herblock Legacy Begets a Growing Foundation”**

*The Washington Post*

Mentioned **Mortimer Caplin** and the firm as having handled the Herb Block estate and the framework for the creation of the Herb Block Foundation in the early 1980s.

November 7, 2004

**“Newsmakers: Nov 7”**

*The Capitol (Annapolis, MD)*

Mentioned **Christopher Rizek** as chairman of the Anne Arundel County Ethics Commission and a featured speaker at “An Ethics Forum for Tax Practitioners,” presented by the Center for the Study of Ethics and Human Values of Washington University of St. Louis.

November 8, 2004

**“NAACP Leaders React to IRS Inquiry”**

*Tax Notes*

**Marcus Owens** commented that the IRS’s immediate launch of an investigation of partisan politicking against the NAACP before a return for the tax year has been filed is “cause for concern.”

November 11, 2004

**“Ruling could end sweet ‘bare-boat’ deals”**

*Seattle Post-Intelligencer*

**Jim Salles** commented that the fact that boat chartering is potentially a passive activity ought to be obvious to return preparers.

November 21, 2004

**“Selling Stocks and Capital-Gains Tax”**

*The Wall Street Journal*

Interviewed **Beth Kaufman** about the basis of inherited stock and the future of the estate tax.

November 29, 2004

*WAMU’s Kojo Nnamdi show*

Interviewed **Trevor Potter** about FEC successes, failures, and reform efforts.

December 2004

**“Top Lawyers”**

*Washingtonian*

Recognized **Preston Burton**, **David Webster**, **Bernard Bailor**, **Albert Lauber**, **Scott Michel**, **Richard Skillman**, **Beth Kaufman**, and **Trevor Potter** as being among Washington’s best lawyers.