# The Georgia Society of CPAs

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The Georgia Society of CPAs Estate Planning Conference is a unique event featuring sessions and updates led by national experts on the hottest topics in estate planning including foreign assets or beneficiaries, state taxation of trusts, special needs planning, and estate planning for non-traditional families.

Relax with a round of golf or at the cocktail reception in a family-friendly environment full of networking opportunities with your peers.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** CPAs, financial advisors, and anyone looking to further their estate planning knowledge to best advise their clients.

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# Thursday, July 30

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

#### **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

Sponsored by Troutman Sanders LLP

8:30 - 8:35 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

8:35 - 10:15 a.m.

# A - Federal Estate Tax Update for Estate Planners

Samuel A. Donaldson, Esq., Georgia State University College of Law, Atlanta, Ga. This entertaining and information-packed session will review significant federal income, estate, and gift tax cases, rulings, regulations, and legislation from 2014 and 2015 that are of interest to estate planning professionals.

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break/Exhibits

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

#### B - Estate Planning for Families Who Aren't the Cleavers

Shelly Nixon Donaldson, Esq., The Donaldson Law Firm, PC, Atlanta, Ga. Craig Frankel, Esq., Gaslowitz Frankel LLC, Atlanta, Ga.

Learn what you can do to add value to your client offerings in this changing tax and family environment.

11:45 a.m. - 12:40 p.m. Lunch

#### 12:45 - 1:35 p.m.

#### C - Post Mortem Estate Planning

Mark Williamson, Esq., Alston & Bird, LLP, Atlanta, Ga.

Discuss the use of qualified disclaimers under the federal tax law and applicable local law to "improve" an estate plan when it is too late for the client to do so personally. The discussion will include time limits, requirements, special rules, traps for the unwary, and planning opportunities.

1:40 - 2:30 p.m.

#### D - Let My Trustees Go! Planning to Minimize or Avoid Georgia and Other State Income Taxes on Trusts

Richard Nenno, Esq., Wilmington Trust, Wilmington, Del.

Planning for state income taxes on trusts is a critical aspect of the estate-planning process. If done well, it can produce substantial benefits; if done poorly, it can produce substantial avoidable costs. Discuss how states handle tax trust income, with a focus on Georgia, and how to handle the issue for trusts and beneficiaries moving to and from Georgia.

#### 3 p.m. Golf

Advanced registration required. Contact Lynne Carr at 404-504-2945. Sponsored by Richard S. Hathaway, J.P. Morgan Securities

#### 3 - 4:30 p.m. Bocce Ball

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# Friday, July 31

7:30 - 8 a.m.

Continental Breakfast Sponsored by Troutman Sanders LLP

8 - 9:15 a.m.

#### E - Planning for Beneficiaries with Special Needs

Kristen Lewis, Esq., Smith Gambrell & Russell, LLP, Atlanta, Ga.

This program will review the various types of Special Needs Trusts that serve as the cornerstone for securing the future of persons challenged by disabilities; the types of government benefits and programs that can be accessed and preserved with proper Special Needs Trust planning; the most common challenges (and solutions) encountered in Special Needs Trust planning; and an update on the status of "ABLE" accounts as another tool for Special Needs planning.

9:20 - 10:10 a.m.

#### F - An ABC Primer on Timber Taxation for Estate Planners Who Have Trouble Seeing the Forest and the Trees

Daniel McKeithen, Esq., Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, Atlanta, Ga.

Don't be intimidated by the arcane timber industry jargon any longer. Discuss how to structure contracts to achieve capital gains under \$631; basic depletion concepts; tax treatment of timber gains under FIRPTA and UBTI rules; and tax planning issues for timber REITs.

10:10 - 10:20 a.m. Break/Exhibits

10:20 - 11:35 a.m.

# G - We're Not in Kansas (or Georgia) Anymore! U.S. Estate Planning for Foreign Clients and Assets

Suzanne Plybon, Esq. and Jeremy Ware, Esq., Arnall Golden Gregory, Atlanta, Ga. Cover how to deal with non-resident aliens moving into the U.S. or having U.S. beneficiaries; U.S. persons dealing with foreign assets, such as a vacation home in Canada; as well as foreign nongrantor trusts, the throw-back tax, and international estate tax treaties.

#### 11:35 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Lunch Sponsored by LivHome

#### H - Economic Outlook (12 - 12:50 p.m.)

Galina Alexeenko, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, Ga.

Review the basics of our economic outlook – continued growth, declining unemployment, and low inflation. Focus on the risks to that outlook: employment gains, policy uncertainties and potential problems offshore. There will be plenty of time available for Q&A.

1:05 - 2:20 p.m.

# I - Paying for Long Term Care: Knowing and Using the Right Tools

Victoria Collier, Esq., The Elder Disability
Law Firm of Victoria L. Collier PC, Decatur, Ga.
Examine a variety of senior care options
to protect assets and pay for the high
costs of long term care. Topics will include
leveraging retirement accounts, Veteran's
benefits, Medicaid benefits, and ensuring
the appropriate language is put into estate
planning documents. The presentation
will provide the top tax questions clients
and CPAs have as a result of elder care
planning.

#### 6 - 7 p.m. Cocktail Reception

Sponsored by Menden Freiman, LLP

# Saturday, August 1

#### 7:30 - 8 a.m. Continental Breakfast

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8 - 9:15 a.m.

#### J - Estate vs. Income Tax Planning

Barbara Coats, CPA, PFS, Windham Brannon, PC, Atlanta, Ga.

Now that the federal estate tax exemption has increased and the top federal estate tax rate has decreased, income tax planning is likely to become more important to clients. Explore this new area of concern for estate planners.

9:15 - 9:30 a.m. Break/ Exhibits 9:30 - 10:20 a.m.

#### K - Life Insurance 101 for Non-Insurance Advisors

Walt Helms, CFP®, Nease, Lagana, Eden & Culley, Atlanta, Ga.

Cover the basics of life insurance pricing including a discussion of the different types of policies available in today's market. Practical guidance will be provided allowing you to recognize opportunities and issues of concern when meeting with clients.

#### 10:25 - 11:40 a.m.

#### L - Pulling it all Together

David F. Golden, Esq., CPA, Troutman Sanders LLP, Atlanta, Ga.

In this lively closing session, Mr. Golden will summarize the high points of each presenter from the program. He will tie together all of the sessions and help solidify what you have learned.

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