



The 2003 State Tax Conference offers:

- An outstanding lineup of speakers
- Breakout sessions tailored to CPAs and attorneys
- The most current state tax updates

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STATE TAX CONFERENCE
January 30-31, 2003
Orlando

Finish your learning with a two-hour update from Florida Department of Revenue representatives on Florida updates and select practice topics.

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the Florida Department of Revenue and
the Institute for Professionals in Taxation

What the State Tax Conference is about...

The 2003 State Tax Conference provides great education and networking opportunities with fellow CPAs, attorneys, industry representatives, tax professionals, and key Department of Revenue personnel. The conference will include current events, updates on Florida tax and legislative matters, hot topics in the national, state, and local arenas, as well as relevant state and local tax issues on various industry segments. This is a premier conference that you will not want to miss.

Conference Schedule

Wednesday, January 29, 2003

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception for All Conference Attendees

Thursday, January 30, 2003

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:10 a.m.

Introduction and Opening Remarks

Glenn Bedonie

Chair/State Tax Section Planning Committee

8:10-9:50 a.m.

Reform of the CPA Industry at the National and Local Levels and the Implications in Florida (100 TB)

Winston K. Howell

President, Florida Institute of CPAs

Thomas Howell Ferguson, PA

Tallahassee

and

Gwen Mitchell

North Florida Managing Partner/

Deloitte & Touche, LLP

Tampa

10:05-10:55 a.m.

Florida Legislation and Litigation Update (50 TB)

Lisa Echeverri

Legislative and Cabinet Affairs Director/

Florida Department of Revenue

Tallahassee

and

Jarrell L. "Jerry" Murchison

Assistant Attorney General, Chief of the

Tax Section/

Office of the Attorney General

Tallahassee

and

Kevin J. O'Donnell

Chief Assistant General Counsel/

General Tax Administration/

Florida Department of Revenue

Tallahassee

and

Marshall C. Stranburg

Deputy General Counsel/

Florida Department of Revenue

Tallahassee

10:55-11:45 a.m.

National Update – Cases and Legislation (50 TB)

Frank G. Julian, Esq.

Operating VP/Tax Counsel

Federated Department Stores

Cincinnati, Ohio

and

Domineck Sciortino

Vice President/The Gelber Organization

Newark, New Jersey

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Lunch

CPE, CMI and CLER Credit

This conference qualifies for up to 4 Accounting & Auditing (AA) hours and 12 Technical Business (TB) hours of CPE credit depending upon breakouts chosen and subject to approval by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation. CMI Credit awarded by Institute of Professionals on Taxation. CLER Credit will be awarded by The Florida Bar. The number of credit hours is to be determined.

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**Concurrent Breakouts –
choose one per time slot**

1:00-1:50 p.m.

Breakout 1 (For CPAs and Others)

Certified Audit Case Studies (50 AA)

Lenny Ceci

Revenue Program Administrator/
Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Alan Fisk

Carter, Belcourt & Atkinson, PA
Tampa
and

Deborah Garringer

Carter, Belcourt & Atkinson, PA
Lakeland

Breakout 2 (For Attorneys and Others)

**Ethical Considerations Facing Local and
State Practitioners**

Michael A. Lampert

Michael A. Lampert, PA
West Palm Beach

1:55-2:45 p.m.

Breakout 3 (For CPAs and Others)

Independence Issues (50 AA)

Sam M. McCall

City Auditor/City of Tallahassee
Tallahassee

Breakout 4 (For Attorneys and Others)

**Administrative Procedures Act
Considerations Applied To in a State
Tax Practice**

Mark Holcomb

Holland & Knight, LLP
Tallahassee

3:00-3:50 p.m.

Breakout 5 (For CPAs and Others)

**An IRS Update on Auditing Issues in
Florida (50 AA)**

Eric W. Schmitz

Tax Manager/W. H. Simon & Co., CPA
Clearwater
and

Terry Wood

Territory Manager/Internal Revenue Service
Maitland

Breakout 6 (For Attorneys and Others)

**The State of Taxpayers Rights in
Florida**

Jeff Kielbasa

Taxpayers Rights Advocate/
Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Cass Vickers, CMI

Vickers Madsen & Goldman, LLP
Tallahassee

General Session

3:55-4:45 p.m.

**Florida Department of Revenue
Sampling Procedures Update (50 AA)**

John Keda

Regional Manager, Out of State
Offices/Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Will Yancey, PhD, CPA

Consultant/Will Yancey, PhD, CPA
Dallas, Texas

4:40-6:00 p.m.

Reception

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Friday, January 31, 2003

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00-9:40 a.m.

Select National Hot Buttons (100 TB)

Richard Pomp

Professor of Law/University of Connecticut
Hartford, Connecticut
and

Marilyn A. Wethekam, Esq.

Partner/Horwood Marcus & Berk
Chicago, Illinois

10:00-11:15 a.m.

The State of the States (75 TB)

T. Jerry Jackson

Commissioner/Georgia Department of
Revenue
Atlanta, Georgia
and

Robert K. Thompson

Director/New Jersey Division of Taxation
Trenton, New Jersey
and

James A. Zingale, PhD

Executive Director/Florida Department of
Revenue
Tallahassee

11:15 a.m.-12:05 p.m.

Federal Conformity and the Impact of the National Economy on State Budgets (50 TB)

Harley Duncan

Executive Director/
Federation of Tax Administrators
Washington, D.C.
and

Doug Lindholm

President/Committee on State Taxation
Washington, D.C.

12:05-1:00 p.m.

Lunch with Presentation (25 TB)

Topic TBA

1:05-1:55 p.m.

Telecommunications Service Tax (50 TB)

Scott Clark

Summit Partners Group
Scarsdale, New York
and

Kevin O'Donnell

Chief Assistant General Counsel/
General Tax Administration/
Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee

2:10-3:50 p.m.

Florida Update and Select Practice Topics (100 TB)

Glenn Bedonie

Revenue Program Administrator/
Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Linda Bridges

Director of Technical Assistance and
Dispute Resolution/Florida Department
of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Joe Parramore

Revenue Program Administrator/
Florida Department of Revenue
Tallahassee
and

Charles Strausser

Revenue Program Administrator II/
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State Tax Conference Committee

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Conference Site

Caribe Royale Resort Suites & Villas

8101 World Center Drive
Orlando, FL 32821
(407) 238-8000

FICPA Room Rate: \$195 for a Queen Double or \$205 for a Standard King

Hotel Cutoff Deadline: **January 3, 2003**

(Reservations made after the cutoff date will be subject to availability and current room rate.)

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