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Wednesday, September 12, 2012**

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**FEATURING GUEST SPEAKERS:**

**E. Lynn Nichols, CPA**  
*Nichols Patrick CPE, Inc., Hubbard, Ohio*

**Nicholas P. Giordano**  
*Ernst & Young, Washington, D.C.*



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**September 19, 2012**

**Holiday Inn**

6001 Rockside Road, Independence, OH 44131

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**PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE:** The 2012 National Tax Conference (34th annual), hosted by the George W. Daverio School of Accountancy at The University of Akron, is designed to update tax practitioners in the accounting, legal, business, and governmental sectors. New developments, tax-saving ideas, current issues, and changes in the federal, state and local tax laws will be discussed by prominent tax specialists. The morning session of this year's conference will focus on Economic and Tax Aspects of Partnerships and LLCs and the afternoon session will address a number of Current Development topics of interest to practitioners.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS CONFERENCE:** Accountants, attorneys, business people, financial planners, and others who desire to learn about recent developments in the various tax areas will gain much from this conference.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT:** The National Tax Conference qualifies for 7.5 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit (from the Accountancy Board of Ohio) and 6.25 hours of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit (from the Ohio Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education).

**REGISTRATION:** The George W. Daverio School of Accountancy at The University of Akron presents this program as a public service to the professional community. The registration fee is \$150 per attendee and \$75 per additional attendees from the same organization. The fee covers participation in the conference, course materials, in-depth outlines and breakfast and lunch, provided by Glenmede.

**The deadline for registration is September 12, 2012**

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## AGENDA

7:45 AM – 8:25 AM

### Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:25 AM – 8:30 AM

### Welcome

Alvin H. Lieberman, *The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio*

### MORNING SESSION

#### Economic and Tax Aspects of Partnerships and LLCs

8:30 AM – 9:15 AM

#### Partnership Formation and Capital Accounts

Robert M. Burak, CPA, *Bober Markey Fedorovich, Akron, Ohio*

9:15 AM – 10:00 AM

#### Partnership Allocations

Jon R. Stefanik II, JD, *MTax, Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLP, Akron, Ohio*

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM **Break**

10:15 AM – 11:00 AM

#### Nonrecourse Debt & Deductions

Thomas I. Hausman, JD, *LL.M., Schneider, Smeltz, Ranney & LaFond P.L.L., Cleveland, Ohio*

11:00 AM – 11:45 AM

#### Liquidations and Sales of Partnership Interests

Robert W. Malone, JD, *Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLP, Akron, Ohio*

11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

#### Presentation and Lunch (included with registration)

#### 2013 Economic Outlook

Uma M. Rajeshwar, CFA, CTFE, *Glenmede, Cleveland, Ohio*  
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### AFTERNOON SESSION

#### Hot Topics and Legislative Developments

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

#### The New "Repair" Regulations

E. Lynn Nichols, CPA, *Nichols Patrick CPE, Incorporated, Hubbard, Ohio*

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

#### Oil and Gas Taxation and Valuation Issues Facing the Landowner

Michael G. Eberhart, CPA, CVA, *Hall, Kistler & Company LLP, Canton, Ohio*

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM **Break**

3:00 PM – 3:45 PM

#### Export Tax Strategies – IC-DISCs and Beyond

David L. Groves, CPA, *Bruner-Cox LLP, Canton, Ohio*

3:45 PM – 4:30 PM

#### Legislative Outlook

Nicholas P. Giordano, JD, LL.M., *Ernst & Young, Washington, D.C.*

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

## SPEAKERS



### ROBERT M. BURAK, CPA

Robert Burak is the Partner-in-Charge of Bober Markey Fedorovich's Tax Services Group. Most of Mr. Burak's career has been focused on providing proactive, practical tax advice on a wide array of business issues to privately held businesses and their owners.

His specialty areas include mergers and acquisitions, flow through entities and international taxation. He has extensive experience with publicly traded partnerships. Mr. Burak is a member of the

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants, and has been active in a number of civic organizations where he has held committee and board positions. He is a graduate of John Carroll University.

### MICHAEL G. EBERHART, CPA, CVA

Michael Eberhart has been a member of Hall, Kistler & Company LLP since 1969 and became managing partner in 1990. In 2011, he decided to step down from the managing partner role to spend more time with his clients as senior partner. He serves as Chairman of the firm's Oil & Gas Service Group and is the firm's Management Advisory Service Partner and SEC Partner. Mr. Eberhart has helped to develop a number of the firm's niches, most notably Oil & Gas, having spent more than 35 years servicing clients in the industry. His skills include auditing, financial statement preparation, tax planning, return preparations and performing due diligence in reserve acquisitions for these entities, both privately-held and publicly-held. Mr. Eberhart earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting from Walsh University and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Ohio Oil & Gas Association, the Council of Petroleum Accountant's Societies-Appalachia and the National Association of Certified Valuation Analyst (NACVA).



### NICHOLAS P. GIORDANO, JD, LL.M.

Nicholas Giordano is one of the leaders of Ernst & Young's Washington Council tax group and provides services related to tax and budget issues. Prior to joining Ernst & Young, Mr. Giordano served as the Chief Tax Counsel of the US Senate Committee on Finance, where he advised the Committee and other members of the Senate on substantive tax policy issues, as well as budget and parliamentary issues. Prior to his position with the Finance Committee, he served as the National Director for Tax Legislative Services at Ernst & Young. He has also served as Legislative Director and Tax Counsel for Senator Max Baucus (D-MT), where his responsibilities included coordination of all Senate floor items. Mr. Giordano has served as the Chair of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Tax Legislation and Policy Committee and the Chair of the American Bar Association's Formation of Tax Policy Committee. He is a graduate of Syracuse University and received a J.D. from The George Washington University Law School and an LL.M. in taxation from Georgetown University Law Center.

### DAVID L. GROVES, CPA

David Groves joined Bruner-Cox LLP in 2007 and has more than 14 years of "Big Four" public accounting experience in taxation. Mr. Groves provides tax advice and consulting services to publicly traded companies, privately-owned businesses, private-equity-owned businesses and individuals. His tax experience includes international planning, structuring and compliance, tax accounting methods, inventory planning (including LIFO), IRS examination representation, state tax planning and reorganizations, internal tax planning and reorganizations, mergers and acquisitions (including experience with private equity transactions), FAS 109-accounting for income taxes and S-corporation planning and taxation. Mr. Groves serves as the partner in charge of the firm's tax practice and is Director of the Firm's International Services Group. He is a member of The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and The Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants and graduated Cum Laude from Miami University with a Bachelor of Science degree in finance and accounting.



### THOMAS I. HAUSMAN, JD, LL.M.

Thomas Hausman joined Schneider, Smeltz, Ranney & LaFond in 2010 as an Of Counsel member of the firm. He specializes in tax, partnership and corporate practice and estate planning. Mr. Hausman represents taxpayers in tax controversy matters before the Internal Revenue Service, the Ohio Board of Tax Appeals and in the United States Tax Court. Mr. Hausman taught tax law as a full-time faculty member at Case Western Reserve University School of Law from

1994 to 2005. He also served as the Administrative Director of the School's Graduate Tax (LL.M.) Program. He continues to be an adjunct professor at the Law School, teaching courses in Estate Planning and Partnership Tax. Mr. Hausman is a graduate of the University of Colorado and received a J.D. from the Michael E. Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University and an LL.M. in taxation from the New York University School of Law.

### ROBERT W. MALONE, JD

Rob Malone is a Partner with Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLP and serves as Chair of the Business Practice Group. Mr. Malone focuses his practice on a variety of tax matters, mergers and acquisitions and trusts and estates. He has served on the committees that drafted the Ohio statutes establishing a "bright-line" test for residency and authorizing Limited Liability Companies. He continues to serve on the committee that monitors and proposes amendments for Ohio's Limited Liability Company legislation. Mr. Malone currently serves on the faculty of The University of Akron Master of Taxation Program. He has taught and spoken on a number of subjects, including mergers and acquisitions and federal and state taxation issues, at various universities, colleges and professional organizations. Mr. Malone earned his Juris Doctorate from The Ohio State University College of Law and his bachelor's degree from Mount Union College.



### E. LYNN NICHOLS, CPA

A practicing CPA for 40 years, Lynn Nichols is also the founder of Mares Nichols CPE, Inc., a developer of continuing education programs for CPAs. Mr. Nichols is a regular contributor to Bisk Education's CPE Network, co-moderator of the Taxation Discussion Groups for accountantworld.com, a volunteer member of the Tax Division of the AICPA and past Chair of the Board of Visitors of the School of Accounting at the University of

Oklahoma. He is the 2005 recipient of The Ohio Society of CPAs' Gold Medal for service to the accounting profession, and was selected in 2008 as one of Ohio's outstanding CPAs. Mr. Nichols serves as an advisor to CPA firms across the U.S. on matters of federal income taxation, tax practice quality control and IRS procedures. He has developed an intimate knowledge of tax law and regulation of tax practice that he shares with CPAs in clear, dynamic CPE presentations. He is consistently rated an exceptional CPE program leader and conference speaker. Mr. Nichols is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma.

### UMA M. RAJESHWAR, CFA, CTFE

Uma Rajeshwar is first vice president and senior portfolio manager for Glenmede Investment and Wealth Management, working primarily in Glenmede's Cleveland office. In this role, Mr. Rajeshwar provides investment counsel and wealth advisory services to high net worth individuals and families. In addition, he serves on the company's Investment Policy and Stock Selection Committees. Mr. Rajeshwar brings 24 years of investment and trust experience to this position. He graduated from the University of Delhi, India, with a B.A. in economics and earned an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan. Mr. Rajeshwar is a Certified Trust Financial Advisor and a holder of the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.



### JON R. STEFANIK II, JD, MT

Jon Stefanik, an associate with the regional law firm of Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLP, focuses his practice on tax planning for a variety of business transactions, as well as on federal and state tax controversies. Mr. Stefanik assists clients with entity formations, contract drafting and an array of other diverse business transactions. His experience includes analysis of a wide range of tax issues, including issues related to LLC

and partnership taxation, estate and gift taxation, corporate taxation and state and local taxation. Mr. Stefanik earned his Juris Doctorate from The University of Akron School of Law. He earned his Master of Taxation and Bachelor of Science in Accountancy from The University of Akron.