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# 2009 SOUTHEAST BUSINESS TAX FORUM: TAXATION OF BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS

May 18-19, 2009

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## Conference Co-chairs:

L. Andrew Immerman – Alston & Bird LLP  
John F. Simon – KPMG LLP

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## About This Seminar

We are proud to present the 2009 Taxation of Business Transactions seminar. During this two-day seminar, our faculty will discuss tax planning ideas and updates for both public and private businesses, with an emphasis on the complex tax issues that many companies will face as a result of the troubled economy. Our faculty consists of some of the most knowledgeable and experienced speakers from corporations, law firms, public accounting firms, financial institutions and government agencies. The seminar will be hosted at the InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta.

## Who Should Attend

This seminar is intended for corporate tax directors and managers, accountants and CPAs, attorneys, and other corporate executives looking for practical solutions to complex business taxation issues.

## Register Today

To register, visit [www.sbtft.org](http://www.sbtft.org). All registrations for the seminar will be taken online. For additional information, or if you encounter any problems registering, contact Abby Sullivan at [asullivan@sbtft.org](mailto:asullivan@sbtft.org) or 404.222.3517.

## Tuition

Tuition is \$399 for the seminar and will include continental breakfast, snacks and lunch on Monday and Tuesday, as well as an evening reception on Monday. Continuing Professional Education (CPE) and Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit will be offered. Discounts are available online for members of the American Bar Association or State Bar of Georgia.

## Cancellations

Substitute registrants are welcome and may be named at any time. If you cancel six or more business days in advance, you will receive a full refund. If you cancel within five business days, you are not entitled to a refund, but your registration is transferable.

## Continuing Education Credits

Upon conclusion of this seminar, attendees will be familiar with the topics listed in the agenda. This is an instructor-led, intermediate level seminar and no advance preparation or prerequisites are required. It is anticipated that 16 CPE hours will be awarded upon completion of this seminar. The final number of CLE credits is pending.

## About SBTF

The Southeast Business Tax Forum is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to providing tax advisors and other professionals with timely updates on legal and accounting developments that affect the taxation of business transactions.

## Monday, May 18

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**  
L. Andrew Immerman - Alston & Bird LLP  
John F. Simon - KPMG LLP
- 8:45 a.m. **Ensuring Tax Deductions for Economic Losses**  
Saba Ashraf - Troutman Sanders LLP  
John F. Simon - KPMG LLP
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Noteworthy Recent Transactions**  
Joe Ferst - Deloitte Tax LLP
- 11:30 a.m. **Legislative Update**  
Scott Harty and Joseph K. Dowley  
McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP

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- 12:00 p.m. **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**  
**Lunch** **GOVERNMENT SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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- 1:45 p.m. **Tax Planning for Troubled Companies**  
Lynn Fowler - Kilpatrick Stockton LLP  
Donald P. Hensel - King & Spalding LLP
- 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 p.m. **Financial Products/Hedge Funds**  
Matthew Stevens - Alston & Bird LLP
- 4:30 p.m. **Corporate Tax Update**  
Carrie Parker - PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- 5:30 p.m. **Reception**

## Tuesday, May 19

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Current Audit and Litigation Issues**  
Mark Mesler - Ernst & Young LLP  
Philip Cook - Alston & Bird LLP  
Ken Jones - KPMG LLP
- 9:30 a.m. **State and Local Tax Update**  
Mary Benton - Alston & Bird LLP  
Richard Litwin - The Litwin Law Firm, P.C.  
Loren Chumley - KPMG LLP
- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. **Employee Compensation and Employment Taxes**  
Charles Beaudrot - Morris, Manning & Martin, LLP
- 11:45 a.m. **Lunch and Update on Privilege and Tax Litigation**  
Joe Depew - Sutherland  
Robert LoRay - United Parcel Service
- 1:00 p.m. **Ethics & Professionalism in Business Transactions**  
Tina Stark - Emory Law School
- 2:00 p.m. **Partnership Hot Topics: Series LLCs, Low-Profit LLCs ("L3Cs"), Carried Interests, & Debt-for-Equity Swaps**  
Gerald V. Thomas II - Alston & Bird LLP  
L. Andrew Immerman - Alston & Bird LLP  
Lee Lyman - Thompson Hine LLP
- 3:00 p.m. **Close**