

## November 17-18, 2016

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# The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Forum on Tax Withholding & Information Reporting Conference

## **Featured Topics**

- U.S. NRA and domestic backup withholding
- FATCA
- The Common Reporting Standard
- Qualified Intermediary and Qualified Derivative Dealer rules
- Section 871(m)

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- EEI provides an unparalleled opportunity for those specializing in withholding and reporting to interact with each other and the experts.

## **OPTIONAL ONE DAY EVENT** | Wednesday, November 16, 2016

### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

9:00 AM-4:30 PM (TWO FIFTEEN-MINUTE BREAKS, ONE HOUR LUNCH)

# INFORMATION RETURN REPORTING AND WITHHOLDING BOOTCAMP—A FOUNDATION AND REFRESHER FOR ALL

This session is a one day intensive primer on the fundamentals of documentation, reporting and withholding rules relating to cross-border payments including Chapter 3 (NRA); Chapter 4 (FATCA); and Chapter 61 (domestic). Withholding agents need to know three different documentation, reporting, and withholding regimes, and how they relate to each other. The task is daunting. It is essential for withholding agents to take action now to avoid significant financial and reputational risks.

Using flowcharts and a case study approach with numerous real life scenarios and applications, we will illustrate the purpose of the rules and make the rules easier to remember and comprehend. Examples of scenarios that will be covered are:

- An individual opens a bank account to collect payments made to his consulting company. What documentation is required, in the absence of valid documentation, and what withholding regime applies? Could FATCA be involved?
- A foreign vendor provides goods, services, and intangible assets to a U.S. client. How are the various payments to be documented and reported? Could withholding apply to some but not all of the payments? Are expense reimbursements subject to reporting and possibly withholding? What would be the implications if an income tax treaty applied? What forms are used for reporting? Are any returns required by the withholding agent? Does FATCA apply? What happens if the vendor opens a bank account in the U.S.?
- A foreign company makes investments underlying owners. Is FATCA implicated? If so, what is the interaction between FATCA and the nonresident alien withholding rules? If no documentation is provided, what are the presumption rules for determining whether FATCA, NRA reporting and withholding or domestic withholding and reporting applies?

Through these and other real life examples participants are exposed to numerous applications and interactions of the various withholding and reporting rules. The bootcamp will provide specific information in clear and comprehensible terms how the multiplicity of withholding and reporting rules will necessitate significant modifications to the current approach to information reporting and tax withholding.

Please join us in this engaging and interactive session and discover real-life solutions to scenarios you'll surely encounter. Walk away with the knowledge, information, and tools you will need to plan with confidence.

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- Tax Department Personnel
- Operations Department Personnel
- Compliance Professionals
- Internal/External Auditors
- Trust Tax Representatives
- Legal Counsel
- MIS/Systems Professionals
- Thrift Representatives
- CPA Advisors
- Accounts Payable Personnel

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## **CONFERENCE AGENDA DAY ONE** | Thursday, November 17, 2016

#### 9:00-9:15 AM: OPENING REMARKS

CHIP K. COLLINS, UBS AG JOHN STAPLES, E&Y

#### 9:15-10:45 AM | THE IRW YEAR IN REVIEW

Failure to comply with the U.S. domestic backup withholding and reporting regimes can lead to significant penalties and hard to remedy tax exposures. It is crucial to stay up to date with the rules, including the challenging cost basis rules, and this panel will bring you up to date.

**DEBBIE PFLIEGER**, E&Y **STEVIE CONLON**, Wolters Kluwer

#### 10:45-11:00 AM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

# 11:00 AM-12:00 PM | CONTINUING CASE STUDIES ON DOCUMENTATION CHALLENGES

This panel is a continuation of a popular panel from prior conferences that highlights and discusses documentation issues and how best to address them. Remember that these regimes are all about the documentation and due diligence so it is key to stay on top of these issues and ensure documentation validity — and avoid potential tax exposures!

CHIP K. COLLINS (Moderator), UBS AG LAURIE HATTEN-BOYD (Panelist), KPMG LLP DANIELLE NISHIDA (Panelist), KPMG LLP

12:00-1:00 PM: LUNCHEON LOSCALZO SPONSORED BY INSTITUTE

# 1:00–2:00 PM | THE EMERGING SECTION 871(M) REGIME

U.S. and non-U.S. financial institutions are trying to figure out how to cope with the section 871(m) regime (let alone the new QDD agreement to be discussed in the next panel). Highly challenging technical issues remain even while the January 1, 2017, effective date remains in place. This panel will cover the key issues and explore practical implementation strategies.

ROBERT J. FOLEY (Moderator), State Street Bank and Trust Company JULIO JIMENEZ (Panelist), Jimenez Tax Law Firm, PLLC ELISSA JOHNSON (Panelist), Bank of America

#### 2:00-3:00 PM | THE NEW QDD AGREEMENT

A key part of the IRS's efforts to ensure effective compliance with the section 871(m) rules on dividend equivalent transactions is to expand the QI concept to qualified derivative dealers. In practical terms, many financial institutions that have never dealt with a QI Agreement in the past will need to enter into one to comply. Even for existing QIs, they will find that business lines that have been outside of the QI universe are about to be swept into scope. This panel will explain the new rules and discuss implementation strategies.

ANTHONY MARTIRANO, Deloitte Tax LLP MARKUS WEBER. Deloitte Tax LLP

#### 3:00-3:15 PM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

# 3:15–4:15 PM | THE NEW WORLD OF QI COMPLIANCE

Just when you thought that you had a really good handle on the QI external audit process, the IRS totally changed the approach to one that requires certifications of effective internal controls by responsible officers — under penalties of perjury — and the provision of impressive amounts of information to the IRS. To put it mildly, those charged by their institutions with being responsible officers are only going to want to sign such a certification if they have no doubt of its accuracy. This panel will cover how to develop a winning compliance strategy.

JILLIAN NICOLSON (Moderator), E&Y
YVONNE KUNIHIRA-DAVIDSON (Panelist), IHS Markit|CTI Tax
Solutions

**JULIA MILLS (Panelist)** 

# 4:15–5:15 PM | LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE REPORTING SEASON

A key part of the U.S. withholding tax rules, and the focus of FATCA and CRS, is the provision of information to the IRS and the tax authorities of other countries. These tax authorities understandably take a dim view of faulty or incomplete reporting. Withholding agents and practitioners continue to learn valuable lessons from actual reporting efforts and this panel will share those with the audience.

CYRUS DAFTARY (Moderator), IHS Markit|CTI Tax Solutions
CHRISTINA FERKO-DIAZ (Panelist), Vanguard-Global Tax Advisors
DAVID WEISNER (Panelist), Brown Brothers Harriman
STEPHANIE JIANNETTO-ALESI (Panelist), Citigroup

**5:15 PM: DAY ONE ADJOURNS** 

5:30 PM: RECEPTION SPONSORED BY KAPLAN

## **CONFERENCE AGENDA DAY TWO** | Friday, November 18, 2016

# 8:30–8:45 AM | DISCUSSION OF DAY'S AGENDA AND ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

# 8:45–10:00 AM | A DISCUSSION WITH IRS CHIEF COUNSEL

This always popular panel will cover key tax technical issues and provide a forum for government and industry to exchange views on key topics.

JOHN STAPLES (Moderator), E&Y
TARA N. FERRIS (Panelist), E&Y
PHILLIP GARLETT (Panelist), E&Y
NANCY LEE (Panelist), Internal Revenue Service
JOHN SWEENEY (Panelist), Internal Revenue Service

#### 10:00-10:15 AM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

## 10:15–11:15 AM | A DISCUSSION WITH IRS OFFICIALS

The morning continues with a discussion with those charged with administrating the U.S. withholding and reporting rules. Hear directly on where the IRS stands on their efforts to implement FATCA. Hear also how the IRS plans to ensure compliance with all of the withholding and reporting regimes under their jurisdiction.

CYRUS DAFTARY (Moderator), IHS Markit | CTI Tax Solutions JOHANNA MCGEADY (Panelist), Internal Revenue Service WILLIAM HOLMES (Panelist), Internal Revenue Service

#### 11:15 AM-12:30 PM | THE COMMON

THE COMMON REPORTING STANDARD: EMERGING ISSUES AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The CRS regime continues its steady spread across the globe as ever expanding numbers of countries commit to the goal of ensuring tax transparency. Can the U.S. be far behind? And more importantly for our U.S. attendees, do you know how these rules are affecting your offshore businesses? It is fundamentally important to stay on top of these rules and have a thorough understanding of what it takes to ensure compliance.

CHRIS PHILLIPS, Deutsche Bank AG MICHAEL BREVETTA, Standard Chartered Bank JENNY TURNER, UBS AG KEVIN V. SULLIVAN, Bank of America

# 12:30-1:30 PM: LUNCHEON LOSCALZO SPONSORED BY INSTITUTE

# 1:30–2:30 PM | FOCUS ON IRW ISSUES IN THE FUND WORLD

Managing FATCA, CDOT and CRS compliance has been particularly challenging for the fund industry. Learn about some of the challenges funds have been having with their investors, subscription documents and fund administrators/upstream custodians. Are there things that funds and their counterparties can do differently to improve the process on both sides?

RICK ABBOTT, Advent International
JTOM GENGLER, GoldenTree Asset Management
CHRISTOPHER LIGUORI, State Street Global Services

3:00 PM: CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

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# ANNUAL FORUM ON TAX WITHHOLDING AND INFORMATION REPORTING

#### **Course Objective:**

To understand the complexities inherent in the crossborder withholding tax regulations, and determine the potential client relations and risk implications inherent in these rules.

Prerequisites: Basic knowledge of withholding

regulations.

Course Level: Intermediate

# INFORMATION RETURN REPORTING AND WITHHOLDING BOOTCAMP

**Course Objective:** To understand the fundamentals of the withholding regulations.

**Prerequisites:** None **Course Level:** Basic

Advance Preparation for Both: None Instructional Method for Both: Group-Live Credits for These Meetings are In: Taxes

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Includes the 31st Annual Tax Withholding Conference and the Information Return Reporting & Withholding Bootcamp

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Early Bird: \$1,095; Regular: \$1,120

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