# EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON TAXATION

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# **ISSUES AND OPTIONS FOR THE 1990s**

Radisson Hotel Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

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#### GENERAL INVITATION

The Conference sessions are open, and the public is cordially invited to take part in the discussion following the formal papers to the extent that available time permits.

Anyone may take part in the discussion of resolutions submitted for Conference action. but the voting is confined to members of the National Tax Association.

The registration fee for members of NTA will be \$150.00, for nonmembers, \$175.00 and for spouses, \$100.00.

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(404) 659-6500

#### SPOUSES' HOSPITALITY ROOM

The spouses' hospitality room will be located in Tara 5. It will be open on Monday from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

#### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8. 1989

1:00-5:30 PM

Registration

6:00-7:30 PM

Reception

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1989

7:30 AM-5:30 PM

Registration

8:30-9:00 AM

Opening Session

General Conference Session -

9:00-10:30 AM

Should Federal Tax Reform Be Back on The Agenda?

10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Concurrent Conference Sessions -

Measuring Fiscal Capacity

Gramm-Rudman-Hollings: How It Is Affecting Tax Legislation

Selected Problems: Gambling, Tourism, 4-R Act

Federal Taxation of Utilities: Normalizing Depreciation

Allowances

12:30-2:00 P.M.

Conference Luncheon Speaker - Lester Thurow 2:00-3:15 PM General Conference Session -

Financial Condition of Large Cities

3:30-4:45 PM Committee Meetings-

Local Nonproperty Taxation - Developments in Local Sales Taxation

**Property Taxation** 

State Income and Business Taxation - Emerging Issues in Business Taxation

State Sales and Use Taxation - Update on National Bellas Hess Taxation of Financial Institutions - International Banking: New

State Tax Developments

5:00-6:00 PM Annual Meeting of NTA-TIA

Presidential Address

6:30 PM Reception Hosted by Local Arrangements Committee

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1989

7:30 AM-5:30 PM Registration

8:30-10:15 AM General Conference Session -Taxing International Income

10:30 AM-12:00 N Concurrent Conference Sessions -

International Competition: Impact of State and Local Tax Policy

and Administration on U. S. Business Competitiveness

"Welcome Stranger" Practices in Property Taxation--Implications

of Allegheny Coal

State and Federal Revenue Estimating--What We Can Learn

from Each Other

From Baby Boom to Baby Bust: Tax Implications of Changing

Demographics

1:30-2:45 PM Committee Meetings-

**Education in Public Finance** 

Federal Taxation & Finance - Externality Taxation

Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations - Federal Tax Policy -

Does It Matter to the States?

Public Utility & Transportation Taxation - Litigation Update

Committee on Committees

3:00-4:30 PM Concurrent Conference Sessions -

Stress in the Federal System: The Fiscal Response Potential Pitfalls in Pension and Benefits Taxation Summary Presentations - Award Winning Dissertations

5:00-6:00 PM Media Reporting of Tax Issues: Through the Looking Glass

7:00-8:00 PM Reception 8:00 P.M. Country Buffet

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1989

7:30-11:30 AM Registration

8:30-10:15 AM G

General Session -

Tax Policies & Research: Recent Studies in Arizona, Hawaii,

Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey and Texas

10:15-10:30 AM

General Session -

Report of Conference Resolutions Committee

10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Concurrent Sessions -

Attitudes, Amnesties, Audits, and Laws: Their Role in Tax Compliance

The Participants represent be drawn from business, government, tax administration, research organizations, the media, and academia. The following is a partial list of speakers:

Andrew Young, Mayor of Atlanta Richard Musgrave, University of California J. Gregory Ballentine, Jr., Peat Marwick Main F. Eugene Wells, Procter and Gamble Rudolph Penner, Urban Institute
Daphne Kenyon, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
Robert Aten, U. S. Treasury Dennis Zimmerman, Urban Institute Robert Rafuse, Jr., ACIR Gerald Fastrup, U. S. General Accounting Office John Baldwin, New Jersey Department of Taxation Helen Ladd, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy James Zingale, Florida University James Papke, Purdue University George Zodrow, Rice University Donald Kiefer, Congressional Research Service Peter Merrill, Price Waterhouse & Co. James Boyd, Minneapolis Star Tribune
Albert Davis, U. S. House Budget Committee Edward Gramlich, University of Michigan Randall Strahan, Emory University Marvin Sedway, Nevada State Assembly Ranjana Madhusudhan, New Jersey Tax Department James Mak and Walter Miklius, University of Hawaii Leslie Papke, MIT Monroe Rosner, Wisconsin Department of Taxation James Nunns, U. S. Treasury Department Marilyn Rubin, John Jay College, CUNY James Bridge, Union Electric Company Murray Gould, Carolina Light and Power John Yinger, Syracuse University Roy Bahl, Georgia State University Elizabeth Reveal, Philadelphia Director of Finance Donald Paterick, Minnesota Taxpayers Association William Brown, Council of State Chambers of Commerce Daniel Bucks, Multistate Tax Commission Pamela Pecarich, Coopers and Lybrand Harley Duncan, Federation of Tax Administrators Kurt Zorn, Indiana Board of Tax Commissioners Holley Ulbrich, Clemson University Donald Ellickson, University of Wisconsin Howard Nester, Peat Marwick Main Richard Kaluzny, New Jersey Tax Department Jerry Geis, Briggs and Morgan Michael Mazrov, Multistate Tax Commission Catherine Fleischmann, Deloitte Haskins & Sells Frank King, Shelia Tschinkel and David Whitehead, Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank William Fox, University of Tennessee David Rosenbloom, Caplin & Drysdale Cynthia Blum, Rutgers University James Harrington, Hawaii Tax Review Commission

Lisa Clemens, Dain Bosworth

Michael McIntyre, International Tax Notes
Wayne Eggert, AT&T
Robert Haines, Herold and Haines
Robert Mattson, IBM
Robert Hoffman, West Virginia Tax Division
Therese McGuire and Sharon Medgal, Arizona
Fiscal 2000
Peter Schaafsma, California Legislative Analyst
Jeffrey Birnbaum, Wall St. Journal
Henry A. Coleman, New Jersey Tax & Expenditure
Commission
Judith Matteucci, Nevada Budget Director

Robert Bowman, State Treasurer of Michigan
Randolph Thrower, Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
Sharon Cranford, Coopers and Lybrand
John Bowman, Virginia Commonwealth University
John Mikesell, Indiana University
Gary Cornia, Brigham Young University
Joseph Hunt, University of North Carolina
Carol Cohen, ACIR
George Plesko, Northeastern University
Martha Fransworth Riche, American Demographics
B. K. Atrostic and Sonia Conly, U. S. Treasury
Kenneth Simonson, American Trucking Association
Alan Karcher, New Jersey House of Representatives
Susan B. Long and Judyth Swingen, Syracuse University
Peggy Hite, Indiana University
Douglas Sharp, Wichita State University
Gregg Fletcher, Laughlin, Halle, Gibson & McBride
Ross McVey, Telephone and Data Systems
Nonna Noto, Congressional Research Service
Martin Helmke, California Senate Staff
John J. Hudder, New York State Department of
Taxation & Finance

Christopher Zimmerman, NCSL
Dana Weist, Pennsylvania Economy League
Michael Bell, Johns Hopkins University
Marcia Howard, NASBO
Charles Adams, The Ohio State University
William Randolph and Gillian Hunter, U. S.

Treasury
Ronald Pisher, Michigan State University
Lowell Kalapa, Hawaii Tax Foundation
Robert Ebel, ACIR
Michael Wasylenko, Syracuse University
Sally Wallace-Moore, U. S. Treasury
Dan Cook, Goldman Sachs and Co.
Billy D. Hamilton, Peat Marwick Main
James Alm and Michael McKee, Colorado University
Steven Sheffrin and Robert Triest, University of
California-Davis

Robert Schoeplein, Maryland Economic Development Yolanda Henderson, Federal Ressserve Bank of Boston