

COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION
Section of Taxation – Executive Council

September 24, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time and Place

The Executive Council of the Section of Taxation met at 12:00 p.m. on September 24, 2009.

Attendance

<u>Officers</u>	Chair	Rachel James
	Vice-Chair	Steven Weiser
	Secretary	Stuart Sargent
	Treasurer	Andrew Elliot
<u>Members</u>	Andrew Kroll (by phone)	
	Hank Vanderhage (by phone)	
	Robert R. Gunning (absent)	
	Jeremy Wysocki	
	Eric Zinn	
	Peter Rose (by phone)	
<u>Other Attendees</u>	Amy Sreenen (CBA)	
	Michael Valdez (CBA) (absent)	

Call to Order

Rachel James called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made (Eric Zinn, seconded by Jeremy Wysocki) to approve the minutes from the August Executive Council meeting. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Andrew Elliot submitted a report indicating that as of August 31, 2009 the Tax Section had an account balance of approximately \$25,000.

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No report.

Topical Lunches

Peter Rose reported that the next topical luncheon will be held on November 4, 2009, in order to avoid a conflict with Veterans Day, and that on December 2, 2009, he expects that the James E. Bye lifetime achievement award will be presented to this year's

recipient, Mr. Robert Rich (the Section's Annual Ethics Luncheon will be held on the 2nd of December). Peter reported that he would contact Mr. Rich directly in order to confirm Mr. Rich's availability to attend the ethics luncheon and accept the award.

Pro Bono

Stuart Sargent reported that the next U.S. Tax Court Pro Se Program dates are November 2, 2009 and February 22, 2010. These dates have been posted on the website and Hank Vanderhage should be able to publish the dates in the Section's forthcoming newsletter.

Legislative Report

Federal:

No report.

State:

Amy Sreenen read an email from Michael Valdez which indicated that Adam Cohen will make a five minute presentation at 7:30 am on October 9, 2009 to the Legislative Policy Committee regarding the Section's technical amendments proposal with respect to HB 1093.

Newsletter

Hank Vanderhage reported that the newsletter may be published before the next Tax Section Executive Council Meeting. Hank continues to seek articles and requested anyone interested in writing for the newsletter to please email him as soon as possible. Eric Zinn volunteered to write and submit to Hank for newsletter publication a report related to the National Association of State Bar Tax Sections 30th Annual Conference that Eric will attend at the end of October.

Tax Tips

Steven Weiser reported that no articles have been submitted for publication in the last 30 days.

Website

Steven Weiser reported that, with the exception of the minutes of some recent Executive Council meetings that will be posted in the near future, the website is up to date.

Agency Positions Committee

Internal Revenue Service

No report.

Colorado Department of Revenue

No report.

Interprofessional Committee

IRS Liaison

Stuart Sargent reported that the next IRS Practitioner Liaison meeting will be held in Denver, Colorado on January 7, 2010.

ABA Report

No report.

Section Reports

Business. No report.

Trusts & Estates. No report.

Real Estate. No report.

CBA Board of Governors

Andrew Elliot reported that the next CBA Board of Governors meeting will be held on November 1, 2009.

Section Scholarships

Daniel Andres has been awarded the Section's 2008-2009 University of Colorado scholarship, and he will be recognized at an upcoming Section meeting.

Old Business

James E. Bye Lifetime Achievement Award—no report.

New Business

NASBTS

Eric Zinn has generously agreed to donate his time and attend the NASBTS meeting on behalf of the Section at the end of October of 2009.

Litigation Section Proposal

Rachel James shared written materials from the Litigation Section that relate to a debate over a proposed comment to Rule 2.6 of the Code of Judicial Conduct, which addresses the issue of how judges should treat pro se litigants in Colorado courts. The Executive Council determined that it has no comment with respect to the proposed comment as presented in writing by the Litigation Section.

Next Meeting

The next CBA meeting will be held on October 22, 2009, at 12:00 p.m. at the offices of the Colorado Bar Association, Ninth Floor, 1900 Grant St., Denver, CO.

Ending Time: 12:22 pm

***Stuart S. Sargent,
Secretary***