

# NYSBA

## Tax Section Annual Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016  
New York Hilton Midtown  
1335 Avenue of the Americas  
New York City

**Section Chair**

**David R. Sicular**

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP  
New York City

**MORNING PANELS**  
**9:15 A.M. and 10:45 A.M.**  
**Rendezvous Ballroom**  
**and Trianon Ballroom, 3rd Floor**

**LUNCHEON**  
**12:30 P.M.**  
**Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor**

**AFTERNOON PANEL**  
**2:15 P.M.**  
**Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor**

**STATE & LOCAL MEETING**  
**4:15 P.M.**  
**Gibson, 2nd Floor**



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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Morning Program

- 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.**      **Business Meeting and Election of Officers**  
Trianon Ballroom, 3rd Floor  
Presentation by The New York Bar Foundation
- 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.**      **Hot Topics in Partnership Taxation – From Partnership Audits to Fee Waiver**  
Trianon Ballroom, 3rd Floor (1.5 Professional Practice)
- Panel Chair:**      **Phillip J. Gall**, Ernst & Young LLP, New York City
- Panelists:**      **Ossie Borosh**, Attorney-Advisor, Office of Tax Legislative Counsel,  
U.S. Department of the Treasury, Washington, D.C.
- John C. Hart**, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, New York City
- Eric B. Sloan**, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, New York City
- Clifford M. Warren**, Senior Counsel (Passthroughs & Special Industries),  
Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C.
- 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.**      **Will They Never Let You Escape This World? Discussion of recent guidance on corporate inversions, transfers of intangibles to partnerships with related foreign partners and foreign corporations, loans by CFCs to foreign partnerships, and other current international tax topics**  
Rendezvous Ballroom, 3rd Floor (1.5 Professional Practice)
- Panel Chair:**      **Andrew H. Braiterman**, Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, New York City
- Panelists:**      **Yaron Z. Reich**, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, New York City
- Danielle E. Rolfes**, International Tax Counsel, U.S. Department of the Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.
- Marjorie A. Rollinson**, Deputy Associate Chief Counsel (International - Technical),  
Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C.
- Peter F.G. Schuur**, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, New York City
- 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**      **The World Keeps Spinning – Section 355 In Flux and other Recent Developments in Corporate Tax**  
Trianon Ballroom, 3rd Floor (1.5 Professional Practice)
- Panel Chair:**      **Gordon E. Warnke**, Linklaters LLP, New York City
- Panelists:**      **Deborah L. Paul**, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, New York City
- Karen Gilbreath Sowell**, Ernst & Young LLP, Washington, D.C.
- Robert H. Wellen**, Associate Chief Counsel (Corporate),  
Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C.
- Thomas C. West, Jr.**, Tax Legislative Counsel, U.S. Department of the Treasury,  
Washington, D.C.
- 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**      **Recent Developments in N.Y. Corporate Tax Reform**  
Rendezvous Ballroom, 3rd Floor (1.5 Professional Practice)
- Panel Chair:**      **Irwin M. Slomka**, Morrison & Foerster LLP, New York City
- Panelists:**      **Deborah R. Liebman**, Deputy Counsel, New York State Department of  
Taxation and Finance, Albany, N.Y.
- Robert D. Plattner**, Deputy Commissioner for Tax Policy Analysis,  
New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, Albany, N.Y.
- 2**      **Jack Trachtenberg**, Reed Smith LLP, New York City

## Luncheon

**12:30 p.m.**                      **Luncheon** - Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor

**Annual Report to the Tax Section**  
**David R. Sicular**, Chair, Tax Section

**Luncheon Speaker:**    **Jason L. Furman**, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers, Washington, D.C.

## Afternoon Program

**2:15 - 4:00 p.m.**                      **Ethics: Fulfilling Your Professional Responsibility to Preserve Privilege While Getting Your Work Done**  
Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor (2.0 Ethics)

**Panel Chair:**    **Diana L. Wollman**, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, New York City

**Panelists:**    **Raj Madan**, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP and Affiliates, Washington, D.C.

**Kevin Otero**, General Electric Company, Senior Tax Counsel and Director,  
U.S. Federal Audit, Appeal and Litigation, Stamford, CT

**Mario J. Verdolini**, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York City

## STATE & LOCAL MEETING

**4:15 - 5:15 p.m.**                      **High Tea with the Commissioners** - Gibson, 2nd Floor  
New York State Taxation and Finance Commissioner Boone  
New York State Tax Appeals Tribunal President Commissioner Nero  
New York City Tax Appeals Tribunal President and New York City  
Tax Commissioner Hoffman  
New York City Department of Finance First Deputy Commissioner Hyman

Commissioners Boone, Nero and Hoffman and First Deputy Commissioner Hyman (and members of their senior staffs) will discuss recent changes in their respective agencies, as well as their imminent and long-term plans. In this traditionally informal forum, members of the Tax Section will be able to share their thoughts with New York's top tax officials. (This meeting is not open to the press.)

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