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Location: Norris Conference Center, 2525 W. Anderson Lane, Red Oak Ballroom, Austin, Texas 78757, 512/451-5011. Registration will be in the lobby just outside the classroom. Parking is free and plentiful. Cellular phone use is permitted outside the seminar room only. Smoking is allowed only outside of the conference center in designated areas.

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This conference will discuss IRS DEBTs-Passport Revocations, Reasonable Cause for Penalty Abatements, Recent Developments and other important issues.

12:20 pm to 1:10 pm

KEYNOTE LUNCHEON PRESENTATION:
Austine Economic Forecast – Where Are We in The Cycle? Are We at a Tipping Point?
Mark Sprague, State Director of Information Capital | Independence Title | Austin

A look at the national economy (with a focus on real estate) and where Austin and the Texas metros are in comparison. Residentially, the market is slower in all channels comparatively. This should continue through the rest of 2017. Locally, the office market and other commercial channels continue to be strong, but a tad slower than previous years. Are we at a tipping point? Austin is presently in its longest positive economic run. In Austin, we are in the ninth inning with two outs. Will we see overtime? What affect has Harvey had?

1:10 pm - 2:00 pm

Recent Developments in Federal Income Taxation
Bruce A. McGovern, JD, LLM (Tax), VP, Professor of Law | South Texas College of Law Houston
A discussion of the significant court decisions, rulings and statutory regulatory developments of the past year.

2:20 pm - 3:10 pm

Tips for Helping Practitioners Protect Their Firms, Clients and Data
Christina E. Wiseman, MBA, Product Manager, Centralized Services & Transitions | Thomson Reuters

Data security is an increasingly hot topic, and not just for IT professionals. Firms today must realize that data security is an important issue for them to consider, too – and not just for themselves – but also for their clients. All the recent talk about security can be overwhelming, especially with security experts saying firms should prepare for when – not if – they experience a data breach. While there’s no guarantee of safety in any part of our lives, there are steps we can take to bolster our security. Just as seat belts are now mandatory to protect us in our cars, the profession has implemented mandatory security measures this past year to help keep your data safe. Join us to learn more about how the face of security is changing in the profession, steps being taken and additional steps you may want to consider to help better secure your firm.

3:10 pm - 4:00 pm

The New Partnership Audit Rules and the Impact on Entities of All Sizes
Jason B. Freeman, Attorney, CPA | Freeman Law

This presentation will review the development of the new audit rules under the Bipartisan Budget Act (“BBBA”) and the repeal of TEFRA. Attendees will learn about key issues with the new framework and will receive tips on how to advise clients that are subject to the BBA. The presentation will cover why the new BBA rules may be the most important development in tax law in more than 30 years.

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