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The Honorable John O. Colvin
United States Tax Court
400 Second Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20217

**Re: *Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association
U.S. Tax Court Pro Bono Program***

Dear Chief Judge Colvin:

Thank you for speaking with me at the 2008 Joint Fall Meeting of the ABA Section of Taxation in San Francisco about the Court's Pro Bono Program and the Low Income Taxpayer Clinics. I am writing on behalf of Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association to provide the Court with the information requested in section 1.c of the Tax Court's Requirements for Bar-Related Pro Bono Programs.

1. The 2008/2009 Chair of the Pro Bono Committee of the Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association is Todd Bornstein, Esquire, of Selzer Gurvitch Rabin & Obecnny, Chtd., 4416 East West Highway, Fourth Floor, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-4568, phone: (301) 634-3104, email address: tbornstein@sgrolaw.com.

2. The current U.S. Tax Court Pro Bono Program Coordinator is Caroline D. Ciruolo, Rosenberg | Martin | Greenberg, LLP, 25 South Charles Street, Suite 2115, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, Tax Court Bar # KC0286, phone: (410) 547-7852, email address cciraolo@rosenbergmartin.com.

3. The city which will be served by the Pro Bono Program is Baltimore, Maryland.

4. The Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association, Pro Bono Committee agrees to comply with the U.S. Tax Court Requirements for Bar-Related Pro Bono Programs.

5. Enclosed is a copy of the Pro Bono Program's Guidelines, as described in section 1.b of the Tax Court's Requirements for Bar-Related Pro Bono Programs.

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6. This is the initial year of Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association, Pro Bono Committee's U.S. Tax Court Pro Bono Program and, as such, we do not have any statistical information on petitioners with cases pending before the courts and practitioners associated with the pro bono program that have entered appearances and calendar calls. We will provide that information during the year as it becomes available.

The Taxation Section of the Maryland State Bar Association appreciates this opportunity to participate in the Court's Pro Bono Program. In accordance with section 1.d of the Tax Court's Requirements for Bar-Related Pro Bono Programs, the Section will immediately inform the Chief Judge of the Court of any material changes in the information provided herein.

Respectfully yours,



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Chair, Taxation Section
Maryland State Bar Association

Enclosure