

Dear Fellow Tax Professionals:

For Seventy-Two (72) years now, The Alabama Federal Tax Clinic, Inc., the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Alabama State Bar, and the University of Alabama have presented a nationally recognized and regionally attended program of diverse, timely and informative topics presented by some of the best tax minds in the country. This year is no different and we are grateful that you have chosen to attend the 72nd Annual Federal Tax Clinic. We sincerely appreciate your continued support of our program and mission.

From its beginning, the Alabama Federal Tax Clinic has pursued two separate but interrelated missions. The first is providing the highest quality speakers on the timeliest topics in a format that fosters not only great continuing education, but also, the collegial interaction and collaboration among professionals in our region. The second, and equally as important, is to provide scholarships to aspiring young tax professionals helping to foster and insure continued excellence in our professions in the future. This year, a donation of \$60,000 will be presented for scholarships to students entering the Master of Tax Accountancy program of the Culverhouse School of Accountancy within the College of Commerce and Business Administration, and the University of Alabama School Of Law.

The Clinic is a large undertaking that cannot occur without the enormous help and support from our Exhibitors, Sponsors and University of Alabama College of Continuing Studies. Because of their hard work and dedication have allowed The Alabama Federal Clinic, Inc. to fulfill its missions. Please make a point of introducing your selves to our Exhibitors and Sponsors during the Clinic, thank them for their generosity and try to utilize their offerings where you can. Their participation helps us achieve our goals. Finally, we are grateful to the staff of the University of Alabama's College of Continuing Studies for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Their enthusiasm and perseverance allow the Federal Tax Clinic to take place.

As the outgoing president of this wonderful Clinic, I want to personally thank the Board members who have given their time, talent and treasure to support this wonderful endeavor over the past 72 years. This year they have worked hard to pull together a slate of nationally recognized experts to deliver another program full of timely and informative topics which I am sure you will find enjoyable. In addition, I want to thank you, the tax practitioners, who continue to participate making this Clinic a staple of continuing education in the tax arena. Some of our participants have 40+ years of consecutive participation – a testament to the quality of the Clinic and the importance of its missions.

We look forward to seeing many familiar faces and making new acquaintances this year. As always, please send us your comments and suggestions to make the Clinic a better experience for you and your colleagues. With your help we can ensure that the Alabama Federal Tax Clinic will continue its missions for many years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Willoughby', written in a cursive style.

Anthony Willoughby  
Federal Tax Clinic President