



News Release

DYKEMA SPONSORS 2009 MICHIGAN TAX CONFERENCE

Detroit, MI – October 23, 2009 – **Dykema**, a leading national law firm, announces that it is a sponsor of the 3rd Annual 2009 Michigan Tax Conference being held November 3-4 at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi, Michigan. The 2009 tax conference is billed as the "King of Conferences" and will feature national leaders in state and local tax as well as members of the Michigan Department of Treasury. Topics at the conference include accounting and auditing, ethics, the Michigan film industry, the Michigan Business Tax, and a special session on the growing problem of state-issued penalties against taxpayers. Two of Dykema's top tax authorities will be moderating and participating on panel discussions during the event.

Steven E. Grob, Co-leader of the firm's Taxation & Estates practice group, will be moderating a panel discussing the Michigan Business Tax -- What Did We Learn and Where Is It Going on Tuesday, November 3. He will also participate in a panel discussion on Real Estate Transfer Tax Issues and Apportionment, Sourcing and Reporting, both on Wednesday, November 4. Mr. Grob is both an attorney and a certified public accountant with over 33 years in tax practice, including extensive experience in state tax planning and state tax controversies. He is a frequent writer and lecturer, and a contributing editor for the Journal of Multistate Taxation and Incentives. Mr. Grob has been selected as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for over 13 years.

Wayne D. Roberts, Co-leader of the firm's Taxation & Estates practice group, participated on the Conference Planning Task Force and is also participating in panel discussions on State Tax Controversy -- Resolution Road and Unitary Business Theory on Tuesday, November 3, and Real Estate Transfer Tax Issues on Wednesday, November 4. Mr. Roberts is a tax attorney, and his practice includes all aspects of federal and state tax planning and tax litigation. He has represented both closely held and Fortune 1000 companies in tax disputes with the Internal Revenue Service, the Michigan Department of Treasury, and revenue departments in Pennsylvania, Indiana, Tennessee, New York, California, and numerous other state and local taxing jurisdictions.

Sherrill D. Wolford, a Member of the firm in the Detroit office, participated on the Property Tax Update panel on Wednesday, November 4, 2009. Ms. Wolford represents clients in federal and state tax controversies, tax planning and transactional strategies. Ms. Wolford's practice emphasizes Michigan business tax, state income, franchise, sales, use and property taxes, and state and local tax incentives. Ms. Wolford is a frequent speaker on state and local tax issues.

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