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PREFACE

TAX CONFERENCE

This publication records the papers presented at the Twenty-first Annual Tax Conference held in Williamsburg December 6, 1975. These Conferences are conducted by the Marshall-Wythe School of Law of the College of William and Mary as an adjunct to the graduate program in Law and Taxation.

These Conferences have for their objective the discussion of policy, technical and procedural matters of an advanced nature in the area of Federal, State and local taxation by recognized authorities for the enrichment of the Law School curriculum, and as a service of practical application to Virginia attorneys, accountants and representatives of business and industry.

It may be observed that those serving as speakers and discussion leaders for this and prior Conferences are distinctively representative Federal and State tax officials, tax practicing attorneys and accountants, and members of law school faculties. The College acknowledges with deep appreciation their significant contribution to these Conferences, and commends their participation in this leadership opportunity as a recognized exemplification of public service in the highest tradition.

The College also records its appreciation to the many attorneys, accountants, and representatives of business and industry who have responded so graciously by their participation in and support of these Conferences.

The printing of this publication is made possible by funds from private sources and the College gratefully acknowledges the support for such a worthy endeavor.

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LAW AND TAXATION AT THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

THE MARSHALL-WYTHE SCHOOL OF LAW

A chair of law was established at the College of William and Mary by action of the Board of Visitors under the leadership of Thomas Jefferson, an alumnus and then Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, on December 4, 1779. The present Law School takes its name from the first occupant of this chair—George Wythe, signer of the Declaration of Independence, leading attorney of the age and later Justice of the Chancery Court in Richmond; and John Marshall, one of Wythe's first students and subsequently the great chief justice of the United States.

The first phase of the law program at the College of William and Mary extended from 1779 to 1861. Following the long years of suffering and devastation after the Civil War, the Law School reopened its doors in 1922. It became a member of the Association of American Law Schools in 1936.

THE PROGRAM IN LAW AND TAXATION

The Marshall-Wythe School of Law of the College of William and Mary established a program leading to the Degree of Master of Law and Taxation in September 1954.

This program is designed to fill a need for competently trained persons to serve the nation in any capacity where a thorough comprehension of all phases of taxation is an essential requirement. In the present complex status of our tax laws it requires joint consideration by a lawyer, an accountant, an economist, and an expert in business management in order to analyze properly all aspects of a tax matter. While the program does not presume to accomplish expertness in each of these fields, it is intended to equip the student with fundamental groundwork in all and as much of advanced study in each as relates directly to the field of taxation. All candidates for admission to this program must have received a baccalaureate degree and a professional degree in law from approved colleges or universities, and have attained grades indicative of their ability to do graduate work in law. Applicants who have completed the following courses as part of their baccalaureate work will be given preferential consideration:

Business Administration: Financial Management and twenty-four semester hours credit in courses in Accounting.

Economics: Principles of Economics, Money and Banking, Principles and Methods of Statistics, Public Finance, Fiscal Policy, International Trade and Policies, or the equivalent in content.

The graduate program then offers them a broad range of courses in Federal and State tax policy, tax law and procedures. Upon completion of the program, the successful candidates are awarded the Degree of Master of Law and Taxation. The College follows with great interest the service rendered by all recipients of this advanced professional degree. An outline of the requirements and a description of the courses are shown in the Appendix beginning on page ...

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