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Year End Tax Planning Suggestions Specifically For Employees (Versus Self-Employed or Retired Taxpayers)

As year-end approaches, taxpayers generally are faced with a number of choices that can save taxes this year, next year or both years. Employees too are faced with these choices. However, employees have some special considerations to take into account that retirees and other nonworking individuals don't face. To help our clients who are employees take advantage of these special tax saving opportunities, we have put together a list of items to consider.

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10 Tips for Improving Social Interaction

Nobody wants to feel unwelcome or unappreciated. If they do, they will feel like outcasts and less likely to help you with something. The objective is to make people feel at home. This can be accomplished with a simple greeting or a firm handshake while looking at the person directly in the eyes.

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IRS Announces Pension Plan Limitations for 2010

The Internal Revenue Service today announced cost-of-living adjustments applicable to dollar limitations for pension plans and other items for Tax Year 2010. Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code provides for dollar limitations on benefits and contributions under qualified retirement plans.

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Xilinx Case - Recent Legal Motions

By Ron Cohen, CPA

Current legal motions in the Xilinx case regarding the allocation of employee stock option expense.

Clearly, Xilinx does not want to have to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, as most appeals to the U.S. Supreme Court of "tax" cases are denied a hearing, and therefore, the Appeals Court decision will become final. So Xilinx is doing its best to get a rehearing of some sort (En Banc Review) at the Appeal Court level. The above are great reading of the technical arguments and the views of the corporate tax community on these issues.

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