

become more actively involved in pro bono activities. We are fortunate that other experienced leaders of the Section—Charles Egerton of Orlando, another outgoing Council member, Les Book of Philadelphia, Chair of the Low Income Taxpayers Committee, Sharon Gerstman of Buffalo, a member of the ABA Board of Governors, Greg Jenner of Washington, a member of Council, and Rick Grafmeyer of Washington—have volunteered for this effort; the Committee on Low-Income Taxpayers has also added its enthusiastic support. Additional volunteers are welcome! If you want to help, please contact Terri at Thyde@wilmer.com. The Task Force will be asked to prepare a report for Council at its November meeting in 2001, and we

will immediately implement the steps that Council approves.

On a related front, I hope that the Tax Section will be able to continue—indeed, increase—its support for low-income taxpayer clinics. These clinics often are the only source for legal assistance to our less fortunate citizens when they have a conflict with the IRS. The number of tax clinics around the country has grown markedly over the last few years, but there is a continuing need for coordination and the maintenance of high legal standards. The Tax Section has been at the forefront of this effort in its sponsorship of the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic Manual and its financial support for a National Resource Center for low-income tax-

payer clinics. However, there is much more that we could do. I hope that we will be able to support increased public awareness of the availability of low-income taxpayer clinics as well as provide assistance to taxpayers who have English as a second language. We have also discussed with the IRS the need for an ongoing program to enable taxpayers who have failed to file tax returns to come back into compliance. Our simplification efforts are also aimed at making the tax laws easier for low-income taxpayers to comply with.

There is a lot of work to do. I look forward to your assistance as we try to achieve these goals. ■

2001-2002 NOMINEES

In accordance with Section 6.1 and 6.3 of the Section of Taxation Bylaws, the following nominations have been submitted by the Nominating Committee for terms beginning at the conclusion of the 2001 Annual Meeting in August. Under the Section Bylaws, the current Chair-Elect, Richard M. Lipton, of Chicago, IL, will become Chair at the conclusion of the 2001 Annual Meeting.

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