

Estate Planning Council of Lower Fairfield County, Inc.
MEETING NOTICE

Topic: Estate Planning for Same Sex Couples:
The Impact of Connecticut's Civil Union Law

Speaker: Deborah S. Breck, Esq., Pullman & Comley, LLC

Date & Time: Wednesday, February 15, 2006 - 5:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Place: Giovanni's II/ The Water's Edge, 2748 Post Road, Darien, CT

Dear Council Member:

Our first dinner meeting of the new year will be held on **Wednesday, February 15, 2006**. **Cash bar and cocktails will begin at 5:45 p.m., followed by dinner promptly at 6:30 p.m., speaker presentation at 7:30 p.m., and we anticipate an end to the meeting between 8:30 p.m. and 8:45 p.m.**

Our guest speaker, **Deborah S. Breck, Esq., Pullman & Comley, LLC**, will give a presentation on *Estate Planning for Same Sex Couples: The Impact of Connecticut's Civil Union Law*. This topic could not be more timely as "An Act Concerning Civil Unions" became effective this past October 1st; consequently, the rights, benefits and responsibilities granted to a spouse under state law are now available to same-sex couples who enter a civil union. Debbie will review and discuss the estate planning challenges and opportunities provided by this legislation and consider some techniques designed to achieve the clients' desired results.

Deborah S. Breck is a member of the law firm of Pullman & Comley, LLC. She serves as chair of the Trusts and Estates Department based in the firm's Westport, Connecticut office. She received her law degree, with honors, from the University of Connecticut School of Law. She is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, a member of the Connecticut Bar Association's Estates and Probate and Alternative Dispute Resolution Sections, the American Bar Association's Law Practice Management, Real Property and Probate and Trust and Women Rainmakers Sections, the National Association of Women Business Owners, the Connecticut Trusts and Estates Council, and the Estate Planning Council of Lower Fairfield County. Also active in civic affairs, Debbie currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Housatonic Community College Foundation, the Fairfield County Community Foundation Professional Advisors Council and the President's Council of Visiting Nurse Services of Connecticut, Inc.

Please reserve a place for yourself and **up to two guests** by completing and returning the tear sheet below with your check for \$50 for each guest **as soon as possible and no later than Tuesday, February 7th**. Please let us know in advance if you subsequently find that you are unable to attend.*

Finally, please mark your calendars today for our second dinner meeting in 2006: Wednesday, May 10, at the Bruce Museum - be sure to visit our website at www.epclfc.org for more details as they become available!

See you February 15th!

Richard J. Della Corte, CPA
2nd Vice President, Programs

*To cancel, please call Lori Somerville at 877-302-6300.

If you will attend, please detach and mail to: EPC c/o Lori Somerville, 109 King Phillip Road, Norton, MA 02766.

Note: If you will not be bringing a guest to this meeting, please feel free to either e-mail your registration to Lori at EPC-LFC@comcast.net or fax it to her at 508-285-7740 (no cover sheet required).

_____ I will attend the meeting on February 15, 2006.

I will bring _____ guest(s) x \$50 per guest = \$_____ total amount enclosed (please make check payable to "EPC/LFC")

Member name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Guest name(s): _____ **and** _____