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Mr. Lifson is currently President of the New York Society of Certified Public Accountants, the oldest and one of the prominent organizations representing CPA's in the United States. He is also Chair of the Committee on Practical Reform (CPR) for the Tax System and an active member of the Editorial Board of The CPA Journal. He has served as Chair or as a member of the NYSSCPA's Quality Enhancement Policy Committee, Finance Committee, Leadership Academy, Committee on Committee Operations, Taxation of Financial Products Committee, Real Estate Committee and various task forces. He also has served the NYSSCPA as its Vice President and Director.



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Mr. Lifson has served on the Board of Directors, is a member of Council and is the past Chair of the Tax Executive Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). The Tax Executive Committee is the senior voice for a vast majority of all CPA's on tax matters, speaking on behalf of the AICPA's approximately 330,000 members.

He also currently serves as the Chair of two ongoing Tax Division Task Forces; one dealing with tax shelters, and the other addressing fiscal year flexibility for flow-through entities (workload compression for CPAs). He is also a member of the Tax Legislation and Policy Committee and the Planning Committee for the annual National Tax Conference. He has been active with the AICPA for over 20 years.

David has been a frequent spokesman for the AICPA and its members, appearing before Congress, the IRS and various governmental agencies and non-governmental bodies. He has also served on and chaired various other AICPA committees and tax task forces and has been an editorial advisor and contributor to *The Tax Adviser* and a contributor to *The Journal of Accountancy*.

Mr. Lifson is an author and frequent lecturer, speaker, and panelist on various tax and business topics. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Babson College, has served on the Trinity School Board of Trustees and as Chair of its Alumni and Alumnae Association, and served or serves on the Governing Council, as Chair of the University Club Audit Committee and on its Wine Committee. He resides in New York City with his wife and two sons.