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9:00 A.M. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

William Hubbard, Dean, University of South Carolina School of Law

Morgan Spires, Editor-in-Chief, *South Carolina Law Review*

9:15 A.M. KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dorothy A. Brown, Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Law, Emory University School of Law

Professor Brown will discuss the recent change outside of the legal academy when it comes to linking race and tax policy. She will also address the disconnect between the legal academy, federal government, and the public at large while suggesting ways in which the profession can expose and eliminate racial inequality in the application of modern federal tax laws.

10:00 A.M. SPEAKER

Danielle Holley-Walker, Dean and Professor of Law, Howard University School of Law

Dean Holley-Walker will discuss the importance of having diverse lawyers in all areas of the legal profession, including tax law. She will also address how law schools and the profession can create pipelines for minority lawyers into tax law.

10:30 A.M. PANEL DISCUSSION: Beyond Federal Tax Policy

This panel will concentrate on how local control over property tax assessment and distribution of property tax revenues contributes to racial segregation of housing markets as well as racial inequities in housing, schools, and public services. Additionally, the panel will discuss methods for the profession to address these inequalities through alternative assessment approaches.

Moderator:

Clint Wallace, Assistant Professor of Law, University of South Carolina School of Law

Speakers:

Carlos Avenancio-León, Assistant Professor of Finance, Kelley School of Business, Indiana University - Bloomington

Mark Dorosin, Managing Attorney, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Troup Howard, Assistant Professor of Finance, David Eccles School of Business, University of Utah

Andrew Kahrl, Associate Professor of History and African-American Studies, University of Virginia



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11:45 A.M. SPEAKER — Carolina Tax Scholars Speaker

Camille Walsh, Associate Professor and Faculty Coordinator, Law, Economics & Public Policy, University of Washington Bothell School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences

Professor Walsh will discuss how tax policy and taxpayer identity were built on the foundations of white supremacy and intertwined with ideas of “whiteness.” She will also reveal how the idea of “taxpayer” identity contributed to the contemporary crises of public education, racial disparity, and income inequality. Through her discussion of these topics, Professor Walsh will increase lawyers’ awareness on how their clients can access certain social services.

12:15 P.M. LUNCH BREAK

1:15 P.M. PANEL DISCUSSION: Searching For and Wrestling With the Data on Race and Tax

This panel will discuss the criticisms of current acquisitions of tax data. Upon critique, the panel will suggest principles and proposals to help ensure a fairer approach to IRS audit coverage of individuals and suggest alternative methods of collecting data that diverges from the current colorblind regime.

Moderator:

Tessa Davis, Associate Professor of Law, University of South Carolina School of Law

Speakers:

Jeremy Bearer-Friend, Associate Professor of Law, The George Washington University Law School

Leslie Book, Professor of Law, Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law

Phyllis Taite, Professor of Law, Florida A&M University College of Law



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2:30 P.M. PANEL DISCUSSION: Race, Social Capital, and Wealth in Federal Income Tax

This panel will discuss how wealth regulation has historically enforced a strict caste hierarchy based on race. In particular, it will examine how ending discrimination in tax law can inure to the benefit of not only minorities and low-income individuals but also to society as a whole.

Moderator:

Derek Black, Professor of Law, University of South Carolina School of Law

Speakers:

Bridget Crawford, Professor of Law, Pace University Elisabeth Haub School of Law

Wendy Gerzog, Professor of Law, Emerita, University of Baltimore School of Law

Goldburn P. Maynard Jr., Assistant Professor of Business Law & Ethics, Kelley School of Business, Indiana University - Bloomington

Camilla E. Watson, Ernest P. Rogers Chair of Law, University of Georgia School of Law

3:45 PANEL DISCUSSION: Work, Race, and Tax

This panel will assess the vast racial divide among American taxpayers, specifically inmates and those affected by COVID-19. It will further propose ways in which the profession can help close the gap between universal basic income and a federal job guarantee.

Moderator: TBD

Speakers:

Lynn D. Lu, Associate Professor of Law, CUNY School of Law

Stephanie Hunter McMahon, Professor of Law, University of Cincinnati College of Law

4:45 P.M. CLOSING REMARKS

Tessa Davis, Associate Professor of Law, University of South Carolina School of Law
