

## 2004 NAREIT Law & Accounting Conference The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa

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National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts® REITs: Building Dividends and Diversification

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   committee and have met with SEC officials on behalf of
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   issues unique to REITs.
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## **REITs on the Beach**

The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts invites and encourages you to attend the 2004 NAREIT Law & Accounting Conference in Hollywood, Florida. Offering 10 education sessions topical plus four committee meetings, the conference provides both technical and operational information on the dynamic changes affecting the REIT and publicly traded real estate industry. Gain insight from leading experts and keep up with the state of the industry.

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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

11:00 am - 7:30 pm Registration

11:30 am - 1:00 pm General Counsel Luncheon (by invitation)

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm** Senior Financial Officer Luncheon (*by invitation*)

1:15 pm - 2:45 pm Accounting Committee Meeting

**3:00 pm - 4:30 pm** Government Relations Committee Meeting

**4:30 pm - 6:00 pm** Insurance Committee Meeting

**4:30 pm - 6:00 pm** State and Local Tax Subcommittee Meeting

**Note:** Committee meetings are open to all attendees, unless stated otherwise

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm *REIT Crew's Waterfront Welcome Sponsored by: Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP* 

**7:30 pm** Open Evening for Sponsor Entertainment



The conference is a great forum for networking and drills right down to the specific matters that affect the real estate industry.

— Jim Williams, Controller, Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.

## The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa

The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa is a sight to behold, rising 39 stories above the Atlantic Ocean. Its bold architecture, comprised of art deco

curves and lines, recalls the hotel's illustrious past. Once inside, you'll marvel at the lobby's soaring 60-foot atrium ceiling of glass, unlike anything else in the Southeast. A casual elegance throughout the resort prevails. The Westin



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breathtaking water views from each room however, the glorious full-service Spa, 18-hole golf course and 10-clay court Tennis Center will make it worth your while. Relax by the outdoor bridged pool with infinity edge,

see-through bottom and waterfalls flowing into the 240-ft. lagoon pool below, while pool side servers cater to your every whim.

The conference exceeded my expectations. I was impressed with the conference. The topics discussed were relevant and I have found the conference to be a good place to network.

> —Richard Smith, CFO, Ramco - Gershenson Property Trust

# THURSDAY, APRIL 1

6:30 am - 1:00 pm Registration

## **6:30 am - 7:30 am** *Catch of the Day* Continental Breakfast *Sponsored by: Reznick, Fedder & Silverman CPAs*

7:00 am - 7:15 am Welcome Remarks Steven A. Wechsler, President & CEO, NAREIT



## 7:15 am - 8:30 am

### General Session Ride the REIT Wave: State of the Capital Markets

• Will new REIT IPOs continue?

- Direction of the economy and impact on real estate
- Alternative capital sources
- New uses of TRSs

## Moderator

Alexander S. Rubin, Managing Director, Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.

## Panelists

John N. Foy, Vice Chairman, CFO and Treasurer, CBL & Associates Properties Inc.

Mark Howard-Johnson, Portfolio Manager, Goldman Sachs Asset Management

Paul D. Puryear, Managing Director, Raymond James & Associates

Lisa R. Sarajian, Managing Director-Structured Finance, Standard & Poor's Rating Services

Christopher J. Vallace, Principal, Macquarie Capital Partners LLC

## 8:30 am - 8:45 am

Networking & Refreshment Break

## 8:45 am - 9:45 am

## Concurrent Session Balcony or Oceanfront View:

## Mezzanine Financing

• Impact of a recovering economy on mezzanine financing

• Structures being used by REITs

• Tax and accounting issues

Negotiation tactics and leverage points
Moderator
Andrew C. Richardson, EVP-Capital Markets, iStar Financial Inc.
Panelists
John H. Davis, Partner, KPMG
Stephen M. Gordon, Partner, Piper Rudnick LLP
Andrew S. Levine, EVP-General Counsel &

## Secretary, SL Green Realty Corporation

### 8:45 am - 9:45 am Concurrent Session Sailing the High Seas: Tax Topics

- Cross-border transactions
- Private REIT update

• Like kind exchange developments Moderator

David L. Brandon, Partner, KPMG **Panelists** 

Cristina Arumi, Partner, Hogan & Hartson LLP Adam M. Handler, Principal, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Louis S. Weller, Principal, Deloitte & Touche, LLP

## 8:45 am - 9:45 am

## Concurrent Session Help Me, Rhonda: Cost Capitalization Implementation

• Summary of the AICPA SOP on PP&E and its impact on real estate accounting

• Tension between componentization and expensing capital expenditures

- Using the SOP to the industry's advantage — examining useful lives and salvage values
- Defining an entire property as a component
- Relation to NAREIT's "salvage value depreciation" proposal

## Moderator

Stephen M. Briggs, SVP & Chief Accounting Officer, Equity Office Properties Trust

## Panelists

Larry Dodyk, Partner,

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Sally Hebner, Assistant Controller, Financial Accounting and Reporting, The Rouse Company

Matthew L. Ostrower, VP, Morgan Stanley

## **Educational Program**

## THURSDAY, APRIL 1 (cont.)

9:45 am - 10:00 am Networking & Refreshment Break Sponsored by: MARSH

### 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Concurrent Session The Lifeguard: SEC Hot Topics

- Update on the use of non-GAAP financial measures
- Shareholder Proxy Access
- 8-K Reporting Rulemaking
- Recent MD&A issues

### Moderator

J. Scott Hodgkins, Partner, Latham & Watkins

### Panelists

Christine Q. Davine, Partner, Deloitte & Touche LLP Eric G. Kevorkian, VP & Corporate Counsel, Boston Properties Inc. *Other panelist TBD* 

A good mix of education sessions, networking and fun.

—Frank Burt, Senior Vice President & General Counsel, Boston Properties, Inc.

#### 10:00 am - 11:00 am

**Concurrent Session** 

- Tacking Around Tax Traps: REIT Tax Topics
- TRS protective trusts
- · Handling condo conversions
- Managing the 20% TRS limit and the 10% vote/value asset tests
- Managing the provision of services
- Satisfying the distribution test with REIT stock
- Book/tax differences and the REIT asset tests

## Moderator

Joseph G. Howe III, Partner, Arnold & Porter

## Panelists

Charles B. Temkin, Partner, Shaw Pittman LLP Dianne O. Umberger, Partner, Ernst & Young LLP

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James M. Wallace, Senior Vice President – Tax, AIMCO



### 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Concurrent Session

- Beach Blanket Bingo: Mergers & Acquisitions
- Fiduciary responsibilities examined
- Complying with SEC rules
- Why not more M&A?

## Moderator

Barry Vinocur, Editor-in-Chief, Realty Stock Review

## Panelists

Adam O. Emmerich, Partner, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Steven A. Seidman, Partner, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP Stanley M. Stevens, EVP-Chief Legal Counsel & Secretary, Equity Office Properties Trust

## 11:00 am - 11:15 am

Networking & Refreshment Break



## 11:15 am - 12:30 pm

General Session

## Searching for Buried Treasure: Compensation

- · Executive and director compensation trends
- Use of OP unit profits interests as long-term incentive compensation
- Stock compensation plan design and shareholder approval
- Valuation of stock options

## Moderator

Dawn H. Severt, V.P. & Chief Accounting Officer, Gables Residential Trust **Panelists** Kevin G. Christenson, Managing Director & CFO, FPL Advisory Group Chris McGee, Partner-Human Resource Services, Ernst & Young LLP Ettore A. Santucci, Corporate Partner, Goodwin Procter LLP

Shirley A. Westcott, Chief Policy Advisor, Institutional Shareholder Services

## 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Surf Side Picnic Lunch Sponsored by: Ernst & Young LLP and Shaw Pittman LLP

## 12:45 pm

Sand and Sun Golf Tournament Sponsored by AIG Environmental

1:00 pm *Fun in the Sun* Tennis Tournament *Sponsored by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP* 

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm *Good Vibrations* Reception *Sponsored by: Deloitte & Touche LLP and Piper Rudnick LLP* 



## **Educational Program**

## FRIDAY, APRIL 2

7:45 am - 11:00 am Registration

## 8:00 am - 9:15 am

Breakfast General Session Sponsored by Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson

Starboard or Portside:

Views from the Left and Right Bill Kristol, Editor, The Weekly Standard Juan Williams, Senior Correspondent, National Public Radio Speakers sponsored by: Venable LLP





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9:15 am - 9:30 am Networking Break

## 9:30 am - 10:45 am

General Session The Lighthouse Beacon: Corporate Governance

- Planning for the new NYSE and NASDAQ rules
- · Improving your corporate governance ratings
- · Evaluating your board and committees
- Dealing with shareholder proposals

#### Moderator

Bruce C. Strohm, EVP-General Counsel & Secretary, Equity Residential

### Panelists

Thomas G. Charlesworth, EVP, CFO & Chief Investment Officer, Cousins Properties Incorporated Martin Cohen, Co-Chairman & Co-CEO,

Cohen & Steers Capital Management James J. Hanks Jr., Partner,

Venable LLP

Shirley A. Westcott, Chief Policy Advisor, Institutional Shareholder Services 10:45 am - 11:00 am Networking & Refreshment Break

## 11:00 am - 12:15 pm

General Session Navigating the Currents: Sarbanes-Oxley Implementation

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• Section 404 compliance and implementation

- · Evolving role of internal audit
- Audit committee issues
- Whistleblower compliance
- · Best practices for managing risk

#### Moderator

Esther R. Blum, SVP-CAO & Controller, Taubman Centers Inc.

#### Panelists

Richard A. Burton, SVP-Taxes & General Tax Counsel, Host Marriott Corporation Clay T. Chilton, VP-Audit, ProLogis Mark Schonberger, Partner, Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP William J. Tomazin Jr., Partner, KPMG

#### 12:15 pm

Program Concludes

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## **Hotel Accommodations**

Make your hotel reservations now by calling The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa at 1-888-627-9057 and ask for the NAREIT L&A Conference rate of \$279 per night. The Westin will accept NAREIT's group rate for reservations until Monday, March 1. **Reminder:** NAREIT requires that a onenight, non-refundable deposit be made to the hotel at the time of reservation.

## **Hotel Location**

The Westin Diplomat is located approximately eight miles from Fort Lauderdale International Airport and 18 miles from Miami International Airport.

## **Airline Discounts**

American Airlines and USAirways are the official airlines for the 2004 Law & Accounting Conference. Both offer discounts for travel to and from airports serving Ft. Lauderdale. For discounts, you or your travel agent may contact the American Airlines Meeting Services at 1-800-433-1790 and refer to File Number 1934AW, or the USAirways Group and Meeting Reservation Office at 1-877-874-7687 and refer to Gold File Number 91692979.

# **Recreation at The Diplomat**

## Golf

The 18-hole, Joe Lee-designed course lies on 155 acres and has earned a "Five Star Rating" on the Best Golf Network's 2002 edition of "The Very Best Golf Resorts." It was rated the #1 Golf Resort in North America in the 2002 World Travel Awards. The course features distinguished architecture, including four par-5 holes and a 570yard hole that is one of the longest in South Florida. In addition to easily accessible restroom facilities, water fountains and beverage carts, all golf carts feature the ParView GPS system, allowing golfers to electronically order and have delivered food and beverages while on the course.

## **Car Rental Discounts**

NAREIT is proud to partner with Avis Rent A Car for the Law & Accounting Conference. For car rental with special discounted rates, contact Avis Rent A Car at 800-331-1600 or visit www.avis.com, and use the Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number J096654.

## **Spouse/Guest Program**

The spouse/guest registration includes: Wednesday evening's Welcome Reception; a choice of spa treatment on Thursday; and Thursday evening's Reception. To register, check the appropriate box and choose your preferred spa treatment on the registration form.

## Attire / Weather

The dress for all events at the 2004 NAREIT Law & Accounting Conference is resort casual. Average temperatures in late March/early April for southern Florida range from highs in the low 80s to evening lows in the upper 60s.

## Tennis

Named "Court of the Year" by *Tennis Industry Magazine*, the tennis center features 10 meticulously maintained clay courts, 6 of which are lit for night play. Players have access to luxuriously appointed locker rooms and the picturesque veranda. Clinics, as well as private and semi-private instruction, are offered by USPTA-certified staff.

## The Spa

This 30,000-square foot, world-class spa includes 20 treatment rooms, complete fitness facilities, a private spa pool, full service salon and elegant spa boutique — all in a lavish garden courtyard ambiance. Luxurious locker areas feature private men's and women's lounges with saunas, steam rooms, whirlpools, outdoor patios and personal amenities. Fitness classes, personal training, and Yoga available.

# **Registration Form**

## 2004 NAREIT LAW & ACCOUNTING CONFERENCE

## March 31 - April 2, 2004

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

□ MR. □ MS. □ MRS.

first name/middle initial/last name

nickname (for badge)

title

organization

mailing address: street/suite/floor

city/state/zip

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e-mail

#### CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Please check the concurrent sessions you plan to attend.

Please check here and attach a written description if you require special assistance to participate in this meeting.

#### SPOUSE/GUEST INFORMATION

Spouse fee includes the Wednesday evening reception, Thursday evening reception and a spa treatment on Thursday. Spouse/Guest registration does not include educational program.

#### **Preferred Treatment:**

□ Facial □ Manicure/Pedicure □ Massage Preferred appointment time on Thursday, April I:\_ □ MS. □ MRS. □ MR.

first name/middle initial/last name

nickname (for badge)

#### Ways to Register:

On-line: at www.nareit.com - open 24 hours a day Fax: with credit card payment to 202-739-9402 or 202-739-9401 Must be received by March 28 for processing.

Mail: with check or credit card payment to:

National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts® PO Box 98063, Washington, DC 20090-8063 Must be received by March 26 for processing.

#### Cancellations:

MUST BE RECEIVED IN WRITING. Full refunds will be issued for cancellations received prior to Feb. 27, 2004. There will be a 20 percent Processing Fee for all cancellations received Feb. 27 - March 9, 2004. No refunds will be granted after Mar. 9, 2004.

Questions? Call the NAREIT Convention Department at (800) 3-NAREIT or (202) 739-9400.

expiration date

Attention non-members; Join and Save! NAREIT members receive reduced registration rates.

For hotel reservations call the Westin Diplomat at 888-627-9057.

Thursday, April I 8:45am - 9:45am

Concurrent Sessions (choose one):

□ Balcony or Oceanfront View: Mezzanine Financing

□ Sailing the High Seas: Tax Topics

Help Me, Rhonda: Cost Capitalization Implementation

#### 10:00am - 11:00am

- Concurrent Sessions (choose one):
- □ The Lifeguard: SEC Hot Topics
- □ Tacking Around Tax Traps: REIT Tax Topics
- Beach Blanket Bingo: Mergers & Acquisitions

#### REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fees include educational sessions, Sourcebook, evening social functions, luncheon, refreshment breaks and breakfasts.

Note: Faxed or mailed registrations received after March 28 will be processed on site. On-line registration is available 24 hours a day at www.nareit.com. 

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	Mar. 22	Mar. 23
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register at the <b>same</b> time)		
Associate Member:	\$1,150	\$1,250
Academic/Tax-Exempt Member:	\$500	\$600
□ Non-Member:	\$1,795	\$1,895
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Spouse/Guest Program	\$295	\$395
Tennis	\$65	\$65
□ Golf (limited to first 144 players)	\$265	\$265
Handicap:	1	1

TOTAL: \$

#### PAYMENT INFORMATION

(If you register by fax, please DO NOT mail the original copy -avoids duplicate charges)

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