



**National Association of Estate Planners & Councils**  
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**National Speakers Bureau Information Package**

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**Speaking Information**

Please list the most significant speaking engagements in the last three years:

Date	Sponsor	Topic
See attached	list.	
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Do you have presentation references that local EPCs can contact (list name, organization and phone number)? Andy Edwards, Texas Society of CEAs, 972/687-8691



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List locations of the estate planning councils to whom you have talked in the last three years:

See attached list. \_\_\_\_\_  
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On average, how many times a year to you speak (to groups outside your own firm):  
3 within a fifty mile radius of your office ~ 15 more than fifty miles from your office

Have you written any (list the number): \_\_\_\_\_ articles \_\_\_\_\_ books

In what publications have you been quoted in the last five years (not as an author): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Do your presentations generally include (check those that apply):  
 a detailed outline  PowerPoint slides \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What requirements do you have for speaking?  
\_\_\_\_\_ LCD projector \_\_\_\_\_ lavalier microphone \_\_\_\_\_ overhead projector  
\_\_\_\_\_ flip chart \_\_\_\_\_ Other (list): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you charge for speaking (over your coach-class travel, lodging and meal costs)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   
If yes, what is the range of fees? \_\_\_\_\_  
List any other cost requirements (e.g., first class air): \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide information on your unique talents & background for speaking:  
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### Topics for Presentations - please check those that apply

#### Tax Planning

- \_\_\_\_\_ State Income Taxes
- Federal Income Taxes
- Federal Transfer Taxes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Generation Skipping Taxes
- \_\_\_\_\_ State Transfer Taxes

- \_\_\_\_\_ International Taxes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other Tax Issues: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Estate Planning

- General Estate Planning
- Current Update on Recent Estate Planning Changes
- Trends in Estate Planning
- Planning for Gifts (e.g., exemptions, annual exclusions, 529 Plans)
- State Specific Estate Planning. List States: \_\_\_\_\_
- Life Insurance in Estate Planning
- Financial Decision Making in an Estate Plan
- Planning for Retirement Plans, IRAs & Other Employee Benefits
- Asset Protection Planning
- Valuation Issues in Estate Planning
- The Psychology of Planning
- Partnerships, LLCs and Entity Planning
- Planning for Divorce and/or Second Marriages
- Planning for Resident Aliens and Non-Resident Aliens
- Planning for Americans Living Overseas
- Other: 1) Estate & Gift Tax Audits, Appeals and Litigation;  
2) Family Limited Partnerships

## Trusts & Estates

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Testamentary Trusts         | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs Trusts                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Revocable Trusts            | <input type="checkbox"/> Income Tax Planning for Estates and Trusts     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Irrevocable Trusts | <input type="checkbox"/> Avoiding Common Mistakes in Estates and Trusts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Insurance Trusts       | <input type="checkbox"/> Choosing Fiduciaries                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Defective Trusts            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dynasty Trusts              | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation Trusts        | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charitable Trusts           | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incentive Trusts            | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Trusts                | _____   |

## Charitable Planning

- Using Charitable Trusts
- Planning for Charitable Transfers
- Private Foundations, Donor Advised Funds, Supporting Organizations, Endowments
- Life Insurance in Charitable Planning
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Elder Law Issues

- Entitlement Programs
- Long Term Care
- Incapacity Planning
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Business Succession Issues**

- Family Business Succession Planning
- Exit Planning
- Buy-Sell Agreements
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Topics**

- Speaking and Writing to Grow your Estate Planning Practice
- Effective Networking
- Working with other Professionals
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

List the names of some of your most interesting presentations:

See attached list.

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