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The RED SHIELD *Symposium*

31ST ANNUAL ESTATE AND CHARITABLE GIFT
PLANNING INSTITUTE

Thursday, September 17, 2026

8:00 a.m. CT to 4:30 p.m. CT

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101 State Street, Peoria IL

Cost – \$75.00 per registered participant

Webcast In-Person Near You or Virtual Option

*This is your invitation to The Salvation Army's
renowned estate planning conference.*

Featured National Speakers:

Professor Samuel A. Donaldson, JD, Georgia State University

Pamela J. Davidson, JD, Davidson Gift Design

Phil Purcell, JD, The Salvation Army Central Territory

Charles Slamar, Jr., JD, LLM, Senior Vice President of Thompson & Associates

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Attorneys ♦ Certified Financial Planners ♦ Accountants
Bank Trust Officers ♦ Other Planning Professionals

REGISTER ONLINE: [TheRedShield.org](https://www.redshield.org)

The Red Shield Symposium is an in-person webcast focusing on bringing together donor advisors to learn the latest on estate planning, the effects that legislation has on charitable donations and how The Salvation Army will meet your clients' philanthropic goals.

Six and one-half (6.5) hours of continuing education credits, including one and one-half (1.5) hours of ethics for the following certifications (except for Certified Financial Planners): Attorney (CLE), Accountant (CPE), Applicable state Life Insurance (CE), Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU), Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC), Certified Trust and Fiduciary Advisor (CTFA), Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy (CAP) and Certified Financial Planner (CFP). Note: For CFP, the one and one-half hours of ethics instruction will count for CFP general credit and not CFP ethics credit. *No partial credits will be offered.*

THIS IS A PAPERLESS EVENT!



• Learn, interact and take charge of your experience by bringing your laptop, tablet or even smart phone.



• Hassle-free check-in and -out process, assurance of credits, submission of questions to the speakers during Q&A sessions, ability to complete online surveys and more.

RED SHIELD SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

All times listed are central time

8:00-8:15 a.m.	Welcome from The Salvation Army
8:15-10:00 a.m.	2026 Federal Tax Update: Sam Donaldson
10:00-10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15-12:00 p.m.	The Estate Planner's Income Tax Playbook: Sam Donaldson
12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m.	Lunch and Red Shield Awards
1:15-2:45 p.m.	Popular Strategies for Charitable Estate Planning: Pamela Davidson and Phil Purcell
2:45-3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00-4:30 p.m.	Ethics and Estate Planning: Charles Slamar, Jr.

SAMUEL A. DONALDSON, JD

Samuel Donaldson is a professor of law at Georgia State University. Prior to joining the Georgia State faculty in 2012, he was on the faculty at the University of Washington School of Law in Seattle for 13 years. During his tenure at the University of Washington, he was a five-time recipient of the Philip A. Trautman Professor of the Year award from the School of Law's Student Bar Association. Sam received his JD from the University of Arizona and LL.M (Taxation) from the University of Florida.



PAMELA JONES DAVIDSON, JD



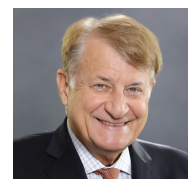
Pamela Jones Davidson, JD, is president of Davidson Gift Design in Bloomington, Indiana, a consulting firm specializing in all aspects of gift planning and training, and excelling in motivational presentations. She is also emeritus for Thompson & Associates, offering estate planning services to nonprofits. She was with Indiana University Foundation for 11½ years, leaving as its executive director of planned giving and associate counsel, quadrupling expectancies in only 2½ years.

PHILIP M. PURCELL, JD

Phil Purcell, JD/MPA Indiana University, BA Wabash College, has enjoyed a 30-year career in planned giving and counsel to nonprofits. He currently serves as the director of planned giving for the Central Territory of The Salvation Army. Phil is a member of the Indiana and American Bar Associations and serves as vice chair of the legislation committee of the American Bar Association charitable organizations and planning group. He also serves on the Internal Revenue Service tax exempt organizations council.



CHARLES SLAMAR, JR., JD, LL.M.



Charles Slamar, Jr., JD, LL.M, is an attorney based in Chicago, Illinois, whose private practice includes advising individuals on tax, estate and charitable planning; charitable organizations on governance, gift planning and litigation; and corporate fiduciaries on tax exemption. He also is a Senior Vice President of Thompson & Associates.

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