

# American College of Tax Counsel Asks Baucus to Support Solomon Nomination

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## SUMMARY BY TAX ANALYSTS

In a July 25 letter to Senate Finance Committee ranking minority member Max Baucus, D-Mont., the American College of Tax Counsel asked Baucus to support the nomination of Eric Solomon as Treasury assistant secretary for tax policy despite Baucus's concerns about closing the tax gap.

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The Honorable Max Baucus  
United States Senate  
511 Hart Senate Office Building  
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Dear Senator Baucus:

I am writing on behalf of the American College of Tax Counsel ("ACTC") to respectfully request that you support and work toward the prompt confirmation of Eric Solomon as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy. The ACTC is a professional association consisting of approximately 650 of the leading tax lawyers in the country who are selected on the basis of their professional reputations as well as demonstrated achievement in the areas of lecturing, writing, teaching and bar activities in the tax field.

Although the fellows of the ACTC are of all political persuasions, we are united in our belief that Eric is a model public servant and is extraordinarily qualified for this position. We are intimately familiar with Eric's service in the Treasury Department, and we believe that the government and all taxpayers are extremely fortunate to have Eric in public service, and that it is in the strong interest of the government and of all taxpayers for him to be promptly confirmed for this position.

We agree with you that the tax gap must be reduced. However, we do not believe it is fair to Eric, or in the interest of the government or of taxpayers, for Eric's confirmation to be held up as a result of the concerns about the tax gap. Eric's confirmation will, we believe, increase Treasury's ability to address the tax gap. We respectfully urge prompt confirmation of Eric for this position.

Respectfully submitted,



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