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Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 98-15

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Revenue Procedure 98-15, Reduced Interest Election for Deferred Estate Tax.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before March 23, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue

Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the revenue procedure should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reduced Interest Election for Deferred Estate Tax.

OMB Number: 1545-1585.

Revenue Procedure Number: Revenue Procedure 98-15.

Abstract: Revenue Procedure 98-15 provides procedures for making an election under section 503 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 to reduce the rate of interest on estate taxes deferred under section 6166 of the Internal Revenue Code and to eliminate the deduction for interest paid on the deferred estate taxes.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the revenue procedure at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,600.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,300.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Summary of Precedent Opinions of the General Counsel; Correction

In a notice document published in the **Federal Register** on December 1, 1997 (62 FR 63603), the VA published a summary of precedent opinions of the General Counsel. The document of December 1, failed to include an effective date for VAOPGCPREC 28-97. In a correction document published in the **Federal Register** on December 9, 1997 (62 FR 64910), the effective date for VAOPGCPREC 28-97 was incorrectly stated to be July 24, 1993. The correct effective date is July 24, 1997.

Accordingly, in correction of notice document 97-31329 appearing on page 64910, in the issue of Tuesday, December 9, 1997, the effective date is corrected to read "Effective Date: July 24, 1997".

Approved: January 12, 1998.

Thomas O. Gessel,

Director, Office of Regulations Management.

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