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**“The US and the Global Economy; Opportunities and Threats for Business, Investors and Consumers”
Presented by: Demosthenes Vardiabasis, Ph.D.**

Friday, July 18, 2008, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Westlake Village Inn

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SPEAKER



Demosthenes Vardiabasis has over 25 years of experience as a professor, entrepreneur, executive, and consultant. He has founded several companies and has served as a chairman and CEO of the IQ Now Corporation, which was acquired by a public company and of Health Windows, which provided services to such companies as American Express, Hilton, Yamaha, and Honeywell. As a consultant, Dr. Vardiabasis has worked with companies representing a wide range of industries, including: Baxter Healthcare, Northwest Airlines, ICTS Europe, Edison Utilities, Northgate Supermarkets, El Proyecto, Brinks, Greek Arthritis Foundation. He has been an advisor and board member of several start-up companies. He served as a member of the U.S. committee to assist Russian Reform and of the National Policy Forum, chaired by U. S. Senator Phil Gramm. Recently he was appointed as Economic Commissioner in California by Governor Schwarzenegger. Dr. Vardiabasis, through his company, Global Strategic Edge, is currently working with executives and entrepreneurs on business strategy and creative operational solutions.

Dr. Vardiabasis has published extensively in refereed journals, business magazines, and conference proceedings. He is the editor of a five-volume book on economics, published by Salem Press and has contributed to the book International Trade: Global Commodity Price Stabilization, published by Quorum Books. A number of his articles have appeared in Annual Editions in Marketing, Business Insights, International Journal of Management, Mergers and Acquisitions, Journal of Commerce, Southwestern Economic Review, Business to Business, Journal of Economic Review, Japanese Management News, Developments in Marketing Science, Management Insight, and the Los Angeles Times. Copyright ©

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LUNCH CHOICES

Balsamic Chopped Salad:
Mixed greens, Jicama, Tomato, Cucumber, Garbanzo Beans, Red Onion, Garlic Croutons and Diced Chicken in our House Balsamic Dressing

Seafood:
Char-grilled Atlantic Salmon with a Lemon Chile Aoli Sauce with Herbed Risotto and Vegetables

Vegetarian Alternative:
House Choice

(PLEASE SELECT ONE)

PRESENTATION

Consumers and businesses are facing turbulent economic times. The once robust and seemingly unstoppable housing market is greatly distressed. The dollar is at an all-time low against the Euro. The price per barrel of crude oil is more expensive than ever. Manufacturing costs in China are on the rise. Dr. Vardiabasis will discuss how these, and other aspects of the global economy, are impacting and threatening businesses, investors, and individuals in California.

RESERVATIONS

Price Includes Lunch, Coffee/Tea, Dessert and 1 hour of MCLE/CPE credit. The cost is \$35 for all members of the CPA Law and EVCBA and \$45 for non-members. Please make checks payable to "CPA/Law Society of Ventura County" and mail to Hemming Morse, Inc., 31365 Oak Crest Drive, Suite 250, Westlake Village, CA 91361. Please make your reservations and lunch selection by email to cpalaw@hemming.com by July 16, 2008. Please call Sheila Ingram at 213.228.8180 if you have any questions.