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ABC World News called Mark “a well-connected spokesman for American business.” BBC Worldwide News describes him as “a clear, knowledgeable analyst of the economic scenery and global situation.”

The Economist magazine recognized him as a “lobbyist for lower taxes on capital.” *The Wall Street Journal* twice profiled Mark in a front-page story—in 2001 on his “25-year quest for lower taxes on saving and investment,” and in 1997 as “Mr. Capital Gains.” Robert Novak, the nationally syndicated pundit, said:

“Mark Bloomfield is president of one of Washington's most influential economic policy think tanks. Well-schooled in the arts of both economics and politics, Bloomfield is one of the most influential figures operating behind the scenes in the Congress.”

Mark lectures, writes, and comments on politics and economics. He has appeared before committees of the U.S. Congress, corporate boards, and civic groups and been interviewed on all the major networks, including public affairs programs such as “The News Hour” with Jim Lehrer and “Larry King Live,” and been quoted widely in the press. Mark is a commentator on American politics and economics for BBC World Service. He is a co-editor or contributor to six books on tax and economic policy including *The U.S. Savings Challenge: Policy Options for Productivity and Growth* and *The Consumption Tax: A Better Alternative*.

Mark is well known in the nation's capital for hosting “ACCF Economic Policy Evenings.” These events involve with a small group of members of Congress, prominent journalists, business leaders, and ambassadors who come together to discuss economic policy issues. Senator Joe Lieberman calls these sessions “Washington's last salon.”

BBC observed “Mark is head of an economic think tank by day and a mega-runner in between.” He has run 22 marathons and 10 ultra marathons around the world, including the Comrades Ultra Marathon (89 km over grueling terrain) in South Africa. As part of the Comrades 80th anniversary in 2005, Mark was selected as Comrades 1st Ambassador to the United States. *The Hill*, a newspaper covering the U.S. Congress, profiled Mark as “The Ambassador: Mark Bloomfield is part wonk, part endurance athlete.” Mark has run the JFK 50 Miler (“America's Ultra Marathon”), the “original marathon” in Athens and marathons in Boston, New York, Chicago, Paris, London, Prague and Sofia. Mark is a columnist for *Ultra Running* magazine (www.ultrarunning.com) and his running columns can be found at www.runnersguide.co.za. The University Club of Washington D.C. awarded Mark the “Renaissance Award” for his contribution to athletic excellence.

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