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Mark A. Bloomfield is president and CEO of the American Council for Capital Formation (<u>www.accf.org</u>), a business economic policy organization. The ACCF conducts research, educates the media and engages policymakers on U.S. economic policy, in particular, tax, regulatory, energy/environmental and trade issues.

Mark has been a commentator on politics and economics for more than three decades. He has been on *BBC Worldwide* Radio and TV, *ABC World News*, and *The News Hour with Jim Lehrer*. He regularly pens op-eds and is quoted in *The Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, New York Times, USA Today*, and other media outlets. He also hosts the blog, <u>www.MrCapitalGains.com</u>.

ABC News has called Bloomfield "a well-connected spokesman for American business." *CNN* noted he is "well schooled in the arts of both economics and politics and is one of the most influential figures operating behind the scenes in the Congress." *BBC* calls him "a clear, knowledgeable analyst of the economic scenery and global situation."

In May 2010, Mark was the subject of *The Wall Street Journal's* Weekend Interview, joining Noble Laureates Gary Becker and James Watson; business legends, Richard Branson, Hank Greenberg and Mark Zuckerberg; public servants, Ben Bernanke, Hilary Clinton and Henry Kissinger and Hollywood icon Clint Eastwood.

Mark has appeared before the U.S. Congress, corporate boards, and civic groups. 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 hosts what Senator Lieberman calls "Washington's last salon" -- ACCF Economic Policy Evenings -- intimate dinner gatherings of influential Members of Congress, prominent journalists, business leaders, and ambassadors to discuss politics and economic policy in an off-the-record, no-holds-barred setting. *The Economist* noted, "Participants gather away from the cameras and grandstanding to discuss the issues of the day and on occasion help steer economic policy."

Mark lectures at universities on politics and economics, including most recently Johns Hopkins University and the University of California. Mark has been has been a Visiting Professor at Georgetown University.

BBC observed: "Mark is head of an economic think tank by day, a mega-runner in between, and a professor at night." He has run long-distance races around the world, including the Boston and Athens Marathons, the JFK 50 Miler ("America's Ultra Marathon"), and the legendary Comrades Ultra Marathon (89 km over grueling terrain) in South Africa. Mark is Comrades' "first Ambassador to the United States" and the recipient of the "Spirit of Comrades" award. *The Hill* profiled him as "The Ambassador: Mark Bloomfield is part wonk, part endurance athlete." Mark is proudest of his medal, at age 59, from the National Youth Run in Zululand and for his trophy for coming in last in the Capon Valley 50 K Run in West Virginia. The University Club of Washington D.C. awarded Mark the "Renaissance Award" for his contribution to athletic excellence.

Mark received a Juris Doctor from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, a Masters in Business Administration from the Wharton School, and Phi Beta Kappa from Swarthmore College.

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