

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL TAX AUDITORS

C/O CITY OF NORFOLK, COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE
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RENEWAL NOTICE AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 2021

Dear Commissioner/Director:

VALTA is a nonprofit organization comprised of local government tax administrators and auditing professionals. Our association was started over thirty years ago from a small group of auditors that gathered occasionally in the Hampton Roads metropolitan area to discuss audit procedures and opinions regarding local tax issues. Today, we are a statewide organization with 340 members representing 61 localities. Due to COVID-19 and all the challenges each locality faced, we switched from in-person meetings to a totally virtual format. This allowed for large participation throughout the Commonwealth and we plan to continue this format for 2021. We were still able to discuss current local taxation issues, the effects of legislative changes and court rulings on localities, and to provide a program of continuing professional education for our members. Our organization continues to be responsive to requests from the Commissioners of the Revenue, to provide a forum for members to discuss ideas, to share experiences encountered when auditing business entities for local tax liabilities, to promote uniformity in the assessment of local taxes, and to consolidate and coordinate resources when researching local tax issues.

The Executive Board, on behalf of the Association, wishes to thank you for your support. Your continued assistance is needed to keep the organization moving forward. Our goal is to have members representing all of the jurisdictions within the Commonwealth.

We are starting the 2021 membership drive. Enclosed is a renewal application for your locality. Verify your locality members listed on the VALTA website www.valta.org. Note any corrections on the form provided and complete the requested information for each VALTA member joining from your locality. Return your locality renewal application along with your dues in an envelope to the address provided on the application no later than December 31, 2020.

We look forward to the opportunity of having you and your staff as part of the Virginia Association of Local Tax Auditors.

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,



Wanda N. Smith, MDCR
President