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## **Ohio Tax Commissioner Chooses Management Team**

Ohio Tax Commissioner Jeff McClain today announced the group of five deputy tax commissioners who he has selected for his executive management team. All have been chosen from existing Ohio Department of Taxation staff. They include:

- **Matt Chafin, Deputy Tax Commissioner for Audit and Criminal Investigations.** Matt is stepping into a new role in assuming responsibility for all audit activities by the Department of Taxation as well as oversight of the Criminal Investigations Division and its involvement in enforcing of civil and criminal tax law in Ohio. Matt has been serving as Chief Counsel for the department for the past eight years.
- **Steve Gray, Deputy Tax Commissioner, Chief Administrative Officer.** Steve is taking on additional responsibilities in this new role. He has, for eight years, managed the Office of Agency Performance which includes the Human Resources Division, Organizational Development (provides staff training and other community/educational services), Facilities Management, and the Internal Audit functions. He'll continue in that role and will now also oversee the department's Information Services Division which handles all computer technology systems and functions.
- **Brenda McDonald, Deputy Tax Commissioner for Tax Operations.** Brenda will be the principal manager of all business and individual taxes, from administration through operations. She'll continue to oversee Taxpayer Services and the Compliance Division.
- **Sarah O'Leary, is Deputy Tax Commissioner, Chief Legal Counsel** for the department overseeing all of the legal operations including the division counsels, tax appeals, and appeals management staff. She will additionally oversee the Bankruptcy Division, legislation, and communications offices. Sarah will also serve as the department's Chief Ethics Officer.
- **Gregory Siegfried, Deputy Tax Commissioner for Analysis & Fiscal Services.** Greg will continue to manage the operations and functions of the Tax Analysis division (handles statistics and data analysis) and will newly assume responsibility for management oversight of the Revenue Accounting and Revenue Processing divisions as well as the Division of Tax Equalization (real estate taxes). Greg will also oversee the Problem Resolution Office.

Commissioner McClain and his new management team oversee a department of approximately 900 staff members responsible for administering more than two dozen state and local taxes, and revenue collections exceeding \$30 billion a year.

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