VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL TAX AUDITORS

C/O CITY OF NORFOLK, COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE ATTN: STEPHANIE BRISTOW, P. O. BOX 2260, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23501

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RENEWAL NOTICE AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 2024

Dear Commissioner/Director:

VALTA is a nonprofit organization comprised of local government tax administrators, assessors, and auditing professionals. Our association was started over thirty years ago by 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 380 members representing 63 localities. During 2023, we made a considerable effort to cover tax topics and issues broader than just business license tax or business personal property tax. Tax issues that arise from the administration of tax conducted by Commissioners of the Revenue offices in Virginia are eligible topics at VALTA meetings. We successfully held our first meeting of 2023 in the far eastern region, where the topics at the meeting were entirely focused on exemption issues. Additionally, VALTA held meetings in the southwestern and northern regions of the state covering a broad range of topics including compliance and data centers.

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 <u>all</u> jurisdictions within the Commonwealth. Additionally, we cannot hold meetings without <u>you</u>. Please consider hosting a VALTA meeting in your locality. Hosting supports the VALTA organization and our mission.

We are starting the 2024 membership drive. Enclosed is a renewal application for your locality. Verify your locality members listed on the VALTA website at 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, 2023.

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

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year!

Sincerely

Julie Rivard
President