



# LATA

Louisiana Association  
of Tax Administrators

**First Quarterly Meeting**  
**March 4, 5 & 6, 2020**  
**Hotel Bentley - Alexandria, LA**

February 2, 2020

Greetings Fellow Members and Guests:

As wonderful, long-lasting, working friends, the Sales & Use Tax Departments of Concordia and Rapides Parishes are joining efforts to bring our LATA family an informational and educational First Quarterly Meeting for 2020.

After being absent for several years, we are returning to the heart of beautiful downtown Alexandria. The conference is scheduled to be held on March 4, 5 & 6, 2020, at the historical Hotel Bentley located at 200 Desoto Street, Alexandria, LA. For those that may not be familiar, the Bentley is a beautiful property that carries a four-star hotel rating rich in tradition and hospitality.

One should not wonder...it is our intent to sell out all the hotel's 93 rooms, and to make this the LATA home away from home these three days. Should we do that, we have arrangements with the Holiday Inn to handle the overflow. The Holiday Inn is certainly within walking distance, as it is just across the street and to the rear of the Bentley. Reservations may be made at the Hotel Bentley via phone (318) 442-2226 or online at [The Hotel Bentley of Alexandria](#) use promo code "LATA" for the group rate of \$99.00 per night. For the Holiday Inn Downtown please call (318) 541-8333 or reserve online at [Holiday Inn Alexandria - Downtown](#) use group code "LAT" for the group rate of \$99.00 per night.

The conference registration fee will be \$215 for members, \$235 for non-members and \$25.00 for guests. Please register as soon as possible online at [www.laota.wildapricot.org](http://www.laota.wildapricot.org) and mail check payable to LATA, P.O. Box 398, Vidalia, Louisiana 71373.

We are breaking with the norm a little by welcoming each of you to CENLA with a Tuesday evening "Meet and Greet" beginning at 5:30 p.m. This will be great time for you to socialize and get to know your new Board Members, or maybe even spend some time with those that are not so new.

Wednesday morning attendees will have a few hours of much deserved down time. You might consider visiting one of Alexandria's nearby parks or museums or may just enjoy a hot cup of coffee as you explore the hotel library. If you're a Tom Sawyer type of person, you might just appreciate throwing your troubles to the wind and spend a little time watching the Red River flow by, as it is only a stone's throw away across the street from the hotel.

Conference registrations will be held just off the main lobby in the general area of the hotel registration desk beginning at 12 Noon. Committee meetings will kick off at 1:00 p.m. and will extend to approximately 5:00 p.m. Soon thereafter, you will be welcomed to a relaxing evening reception filled with piano music, hors d'oeuvres and certainly your favorite beverage in hotel's beautiful lobby.

After a full conference schedule on Thursday, we will once again give you an opportunity to enjoy some of Central Louisiana's best food at what has become one of our Board's favorite restaurants, Tunk's Cypress Inn on beautiful Kincaid Lake..

Unfortunately, Friday morning we will be back to the grind, but just maybe we will be a little more relaxed, and our prospective on life will be a little brighter that it was when we came.

Y'all come, we look forward to welcoming each and every one of you to our little part of the great State of Louisiana.

Respectfully,

*Tom O'Neal*

*Donna Andries*