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Korry Castillo

Director, Property Tax Assistance Division/Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Korry is the Director of the Property Tax Assistance Division, which conducts the property value studies used to determine state funding for public school districts. The division also provides technical assistance to appraisal districts, administers the binding arbitration program and offers valuable information intended to help Texas taxpayers navigate the complex property tax system.

Prior to joining the Property Tax Assistance division, Korry served in many roles at the Comptroller's office including the Assistant Director of Tax Policy, Director of Data Analysis and Transparency, Manager of Economic Development and Analysis, and Stimulus Program Coordinator.

AMY REILLY SALLUSTI, ESQ.

Shareholder - Geary, Porter & Donovan, P.C.

Amy Reilly Sallusti is a shareholder with the law firm of Geary, Porter & Donovan, P.C. and practices in the areas of property tax litigation and eminent domain and condemnation litigation. Amy's trial practice is principally focused on the representation of private property owners of all types of property involved in valuation disputes with governmental agencies in the State of Texas. Her property tax practice focuses on providing advice to tax consultants and property owners when navigating the complexities of the administrative process, filing litigation on behalf of property owners for both real and personal property, negotiating and resolving litigation, and when necessary, trial. Amy also assists property owners and developers in planning for future development by maintaining or obtaining property tax exemptions and property tax abatements. Her eminent domain and condemnation practice focuses on representing private property owners involved in eminent domain litigation wherein the state, counties, municipalities, and other governmental authorities seek to acquire her clients' property. Amy has handled cases involving the taking of all types of improved properties, as well as those involving the taking of vacant land. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma in 1996, her law degree, with honors, from the same university in 1999, and attended Queen's College, Oxford University, Oxford, England in the summer of 1997.

Ms. Sallusti's professional activities include membership in the Institute of Professionals in Taxation (IPT) where has served as an instructor for the IPT Intermediate Real Property Tax School since 2012 and on various IPT Committees. Ms. Sallusti is also a member of the Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals (TAPTP) and has spoken at numerous TAPTP conferences, served as an instructor for TAPTP courses and served as General Counsel to the TAPTP Board from 2007 through 2013. Furthermore, Ms. Sallusti has been a member of Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) since 2003 and served on the CREW Dallas Board from 2009 through 2011 as the Director of Public Relations and the Director of Member Services, respectively. Ms. Sallusti is a member of the CREW Dallas Speakers Bureau, previously served as the 2008 Co-Chair of the CREW Classic Golf Tournament, and serves as a member to various CREW Committees. She is also a member of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers (TAAO), the Dallas Bar Association (DBA), the Texas and Dallas Associations of Young Lawyers, and the SMU Real Estate Society.

Ms. Sallusti's honors include being awarded the 2010 CREW Network "20 Under 40 Award," a national award recognizing women under the age of forty who demonstrate excellence in the real estate community. She has also been named a "Texas Rising Star Young Lawyer" selected by Texas Monthly Magazine and featured in the Texas Rising Star Editions in 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009 and 2011. Additionally, Ms. Sallusti is a Barrister in the William "Mac" Taylor Inn of Court.

Ms. Sallusti was admitted to the State Bar of Texas in 1999 and is also admitted to practice in the United

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States District Courts for the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas. Ms. Sallusti was born in Okemah, Oklahoma (the home of Woody Guthrie!). In her spare time, she loves to travel, experience great food and watch Oklahoma Sooners football.

Dr. Mark G. Dotzour **Real Estate Economist**

Dr. Mark G. Dotzour is a real estate economist who served for 18 years as Chief Economist of the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University in College Station. He has given more than 1,600 presentations to more than 295,000 people and has written over 90 articles for magazines and journals. His research findings have appeared in the Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Money Magazine and Business Week.

His clients include banks, private equity firms, real estate investments trusts, construction firms, engineering companies, wealth managers, private foundations, and commercial and residential brokerage firms. He has also made presentations to local and national trade associations all over America. He makes complex economic issues easily understandable. Mark's goal is to provide his audience with a "tool kit" of useful information that will help them make good business decisions for their families, their clients and their company.

In 2015, Dotzour stepped down from his position at the Real Estate Center to focus all of his time and effort on analyzing current economic conditions and communicating his analysis to others. He combines academic training in economics, real estate, finance and history to make sense of current economic trends.

After earning his PhD in finance and real estate from the University of Texas at Austin in 1987, Dotzour was a tenured professor of real estate and finance at Wichita State University in Wichita, Kansas for 10 years. Prior to his academic career, he was President of Gleneagles Development, Inc., which was a residential land development firm in Wichita. During this time, he also served as President of Dotzour Inc., Realtors, which was a residential brokerage firm in Wichita.

Mark and his wife LuAnn have been married for over 45 years, and have two children and two grandchildren. His father was a professional golfer. He and LuAnn spend a lot of time on the road, and they enjoy playing golf, exploring antique stores and old book stores.

SENATOR PAUL BETTENCOURT: DISTRICT 7 **President & Chief Executive Officer/Bettencourt Tax Advisors, LLC**

First elected to the Senate in 2014, Paul Bettencourt represents Senate District 7, which includes portions of Harris County. He previously served 10 years as the Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector, where he introduced "Smart Government" at the Harris County Tax Office and developed a customer service-driven organization. His team created the first major online property tax payment system and the first county tax office website with online automotive registration in Texas. (His motto was "Get on-line, not in-line.")

In his first legislative session, Senator Bettencourt served as the chief Senate sponsor on 25 bills that the Legislature approved, including his amendment to SB 1760 that requires a 60% supermajority within a taxing jurisdiction to increase property taxes and has already prevented Dallas ISD from imposing a \$100 million tax increase on its taxpayers. Senator Bettencourt also led the passage of the Andrea Sloan "Right to Try" bill, which allows terminally ill Texas patients access to drugs still in the FDA approval pipeline, and SB 1004, which expanded dual credit opportunities in Harris County.

Numerous organizations have acknowledged Senator Bettencourt for his conservative solutions. His work

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earned him the distinction of “Most Valuable Freshman” by Capitol Inside, “Outstanding Texas Legislator” by Vision America, and being called an “architect of tax relief” by Governor Greg Abbott. His leadership in office and the community also earned him additional awards such as the “Taxpayer Advocate of the Year” award from Americans for Prosperity, the “Hero of Faith” award from the Houston Area Pastors’ Council, and a “Pioneer” award from the Harris County Republican Party.

During the interim session, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick appointed Senator Bettencourt to serve as Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Property Tax Reform & Relief. The Select Committee toured Texas and heard almost 50 hours of public testimony, discussing ideas to reform the appraisal system and bring tax relief to Texans, as proposed in SB 2, the Texas Property Tax Reform and Relief Act of 2017.

Senator Bettencourt also serves on the Senate Finance, Education, and Higher Education committees, and is the Vice-Chair of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Most recently, he was appointed to the Joint Select Committee to Determine a Sufficient Balance of the Economic Stabilization Fund and unanimously elected by his colleagues to serve as the Chair of the Texas Senate Republican Caucus.

A graduate of Texas A&M University, Senator Bettencourt is the CEO of Bettencourt Tax Advisors, LLC, a tax consulting company in Houston that has grown to more than three dozen employees. He is also a radio and television personality.

The senator and his wife Susan are active members of Saint John Vianney Catholic Church, where Paul is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus.

Craig Karges **Motivational Speaker**

Craig Karges is truly extraordinary! The “extraordinist” is a nationally recognized speaker and an author. Karges has made over five thousand appearances in 27 countries on four continents and in all fifty states.

Craig Karges first became popular touring college campuses. Craig Karges’ corporate client list ranges from McDonalds to AT&T and from NASA to the Mayo Clinic. Corporations have relied upon the extraordinist and his unique abilities to motivate the audience.

As a speaker, he has been honored by the National Speakers Association (NSA) with the Certified Speaking Professional (CSP) designation, a recognition bestowed on less than 10% of NSA’s 4,000 members and the CPAE Speaker Hall of Fame Award.

RAY HEAD **MORRISON & HEAD, LLC**

Ray Head has 36 years of experience in providing property tax management and minimization services for owners, managers and developers of commercial and investment real estate. Ray’s property type specialties include multifamily, office, hotels, industrial properties, and land developments. Ray is a life-long resident of Austin, Texas and a frequent speaker on the subject of property taxation at local, regional and national levels.

Mr. Head is a life-long resident of Austin, Texas and a frequent speaker on the subject of property taxation at local, regional and national levels.

Mr. Head is the past president of Austin’s Apartment Association, is a Registered Property Tax Consultant in the State of Texas, Past President of BOMA Austin, Corporate Patron of IREM, member of Austin Real Estate Council, Past Director of Texas and National Apartment Associations, past president of the Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals,

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currently serves as Government Relations Committee Chair, Member at Large and received the Ellis S. Allen Award of Lifetime Achievement in the Property Tax Profession.

Ray graduated from the University of Texas at Austin.

R. CLINT SMITH **Principal, HillCo Partners**

Clint Smith is a HillCo Partners principal and codirects the firm's General Government Practice. Smith brings to HillCo more than 45 years of local, state and national government affairs experience. He worked for AT&T for 33 years, serving as their State Director of Government Relations in Texas from 1983 until 1998, when he joined HillCo Partners.

Smith has an extensive background in banking, pensions, technology and telecommunications. For more than a year he worked on the Omnibus Telecommunications Act, signed by President Clinton in January 1996, and he has been closely involved with every telecommunications and cable issue considered by the Texas Legislature since 1974. Smith represents several individual public pension funds and their umbrella organization before the Texas Legislature. He led the fight in passing key legislation for trustees of public pension funds in Texas. He also worked with Compass Bank, Intel, Microsoft and other organizations on various issues before the Texas Legislature and regulatory agencies of state and local government.

Smith is well-versed in all aspects of state and local tax legislation and represents several firms and associations before the Texas Legislature on tax matters. He also leads the firm's Sports and Entertainment Practice with his representation of the Dallas Cowboys, the National Football League and Texas Motor Speedway. He has played a role in some of Texas' biggest legislative fights in recent years, including pushing for a new stadium for the Dallas Cowboys and bringing local dollars to NASCAR and the Texas Motor Speedway.

Smith graduated from The University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He also received a Master of Liberal Arts degree from Southern Methodist University.

DAVID KAPLAN **Of Counsel/Geary, Porter & Donovan, P.C.**

Mr. Kaplan concentrates his practice on representing property owners in the areas of ad valorem property tax disputes and litigation, negotiating economic development incentives and eminent domain law.

Mr. Kaplan is a frequent lecturer on property tax issues for industry, Appraisal District and property owner groups. He has served as General Counsel for the Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals and Chair of the State Bar of Texas Property Tax Committee. He was admitted to the State Bar of Texas in 1987.

He earned his bachelor's degree in business from the University of Texas in 1984 and his juris doctor from UT School of Law three years later.

While attending law school, Mr. Kaplan was selected as a member of Order of the Barristers, competed on the National Mock Trial Team and served as chairman of the Board of Advocates and the national law student representative on the Council of the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association Litigation Section. He also worked for the Texas House of Representatives as a Chief Legislative Aide while attending business and law school.

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REPRESENTATIVE HUGH SHINE

District 55 Texas House of Representatives

State Representative Hugh D. Shine was the first Republican in Bell County to be elected since 1876 to the Texas House of Representatives in 1986. Shine was elected in a special election and served two consecutive terms. He left the Legislature in 1991, to focus on his family, business and military career. He recently returned to the Legislature, elected in 2016, 2018 and is seeking his third term in 2020.

Shine's political career included a presidential appointment in the Reagan and Bush Administrations serving on the President's Intergovernmental Council on Education from 1986-1990. He also served on the Temple City Council and was Mayor Pro-Tem.

During his service in the Legislature, Shine's committee assignments included the House Ways and Means, Labor and Employment (Vice-Chairman), Judiciary, Corrections, Business and Industry (Vice Chairman) and General Investigating and Ethics.

Highlights of Representative Shine's legislation accomplishments include joint authorship of Texas' Economic Stabilization Fund (ESF) better known as the "Rainy Day" fund, created authorization for Bell County's Underground Water Conservation District and most recently the Constitutional Amendment that grants property tax relief to property owners in the event a disaster declaration is issued by the Governor for the area.

Shine's military career spanned 30 years, six years on active duty and 24 years as a member of the Texas Army National Guard. Colonel Shine was a Master Army Aviator who flew the UH-1, UH-60 and AH-64 helicopters. He served in South Korea, had a tour in South Korea and Bosnia and as the 49th Armored Division Aviation Brigade Commander was responsible for deploying aviation and cavalry assets to Iraq, Bosnia, Afghanistan and other theaters of interest. Colonel Shine is a graduate of the Army War College.

His professional career in financial services includes 37 years of experience as a financial advisor and branch manager. He holds a BBA from Sam Houston State University, a Masters in Business Administration from Baylor University and graduated from the Wharton School of Business' executive education program. Shine has served the community on the Temple Reinvestment Zone, The Temple Economic Development Corporation and the Temple Chamber of Commerce.

CARLTON SCHWAB

President/CEO Texas Economic Development Council

Carlton Schwab has been President/CEO of the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) since February 1st, 1999. During that time, the 850-member TEDC has developed into a recognized leader in the professional development of its members and a powerful voice for economic development policy in the state of Texas.

In his role as President/CEO of the TEDC, Mr. Schwab serves on numerous boards and commissions. In 2012, he was named by Governor Perry to the Select Committee on Economic Development – a committee created by the 83rd Texas Legislature to review economic development policy for the state of Texas. In 2015 and 2016 he was the Chair of the Advisory Committee of the Texas Legislative Conference. He is also a member of the Board of the Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) and was recently named as a Founding Board member of the CleanTX Advisory Board, an organization designed to accelerate the cleantech industry in Texas.

Prior to his tenure at the TEDC, Mr. Schwab was Director of Development at the LBJ School of Public Affairs

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at the University of Texas at Austin (1996-1999). From 1989 to 1996, Mr. Schwab was a Director with Deloitte Consulting where he specialized in corporate site location analysis and economic development strategic planning. Mr. Schwab also spent time working in economic development at the local level, having served as Vice President of the Lubbock Board of City Development from 1986 to 1989.

Mr. Schwab holds a Master's degree from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, and a Bachelor's degree from Austin College in Sherman, Texas

LEO LOPEZ

Associate Commissioner & Chief School Finance Officer/Texas Education Agency

Leo Lopez has over 19 years of experience working in public school finance. Mr. Lopez currently serves as Associate Commissioner and Chief School Finance Officer for the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As Chief School Finance Officer, Mr. Lopez oversees the TEA's divisions responsible for state funding, financial accountability and financial compliance. He has served in that role since June 2016.

Before returning to TEA, Mr. Lopez served as executive director of finance for the Austin Independent School District (AISD), where he assisted with management of the district's financial affairs and directed the financial operations for the district. Prior to joining AISD in June 2012, Mr. Lopez spent over ten years at the TEA in a variety of roles in the Financial Audits and State Funding Divisions.

Mr. Lopez holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Texas at Austin, with a major in finance and a minor in accounting.

JASON C. MARSHALL

The Marshall Firm, PC

Jason Marshall's entire legal career has been focused on local government law and property tax litigation. At **The Marshall Firm**, his practice focuses upon representation of property owners and developers in zoning, land use and property tax matters.

Mr. Marshall is from Dallas, and attended undergraduate school at Texas A&M University, where he graduated with honors, receiving a B.S. in economics. He received his law degree from the University Of Texas School Of Law. He is a certified mediator, and is licensed to practice in the U.S. Courts for the Northern and Eastern Districts, as well as the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Jason was formerly a partner at the firm of Nichols, Jackson, Dillard, Hager & Smith, LLP where he represented a number of municipalities and tax appraisal districts. He is also a former shareholder of Winstead Sechrest and Minick, one of Texas' largest law firms.

Jason has addressed conventions held by the State Bar of Texas, Texas Association of Assessing Officers, Texas Association of Appraisal Districts, Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals, and the Texas Municipal League. He is past President of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers, North Texas Chapter, and Past-President of the Dallas Federal Bar Association.

JOSEPH M. HARRISON IV, PRINCIPAL

Harrison & Duncan, PLLC

JOE HARRISON is a Principal of Harrison & Duncan, PLLC, a law firm which represents property owners, agents and consultants, property managers and other fiduciaries throughout the State of Texas on property tax issues and disputes, including valuation, exemption, special use and related issues, as well as delinquent

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tax issues and property tax remedies under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Harrison began work in the ad valorem tax area in the early 1980's, then after law school graduation in 1984 joined Valero Energy Corporation as a staff attorney. Stints with private commercial litigation firms followed, including seven years as a commercial litigator with international firm Haynes and Boone, and eight more as a partner of John Brusniak in a statewide property tax “boutique” prior to founding the firm that evolved into Harrison & Duncan in 2004. Harrison has served as multi-year Chair of the Property Tax Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law, and as Editor of the ABA annual Property Tax Case Law Survey. Joe is also past Chair of the Legal and Legislative Committee(s) of the Institute for Professionals in Taxation, a national organization of businesses and tax professionals, and a member of the State Bar Section on Taxation and the Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals.

Harrison’s tax litigation abilities are augmented by years of past experience in a variety of commercial, real estate, contract dispute and financial institution litigation. Besides Texas state courts, Harrison has also been admitted at various periods to practice before the United States Supreme Court, United States Courts of Appeal for the Third, Fifth and Seventh Circuits, all U.S. District Courts in Texas, and numerous U.S. Bankruptcy Courts nationwide.

Joe has been a prolific speaker over the years on a variety of property tax subjects, and a frequent participant in TAPTP’s caselaw review at its annual conferences.

Joe is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of Loyola University and holds a J.D. with Distinction from St. Mary’s University School of Law.

DAVID KLINE **Kline Law Firm**

David Kline has been a lawyer for 25 years. David’s practice is exclusively devoted to assisting clients with ad valorem issues. Over his career, David has aided clients in effectively handling their property tax burden. David believes that solid, quantifiable results and continuous communication are paramount in the representation of clients. David has a wide range of experience in ad valorem tax matters and has represented clients not only in Texas but across the United States and Canada as well.

David has litigated scores of cases across the state of Texas. His practice includes representation of commercial real estate clients with a variety of property types including office, retail, multifamily, industrial and land. His practice also includes representation of clients with personal property valuation issues, Freeport qualification, exemption issues, taxation of inventory and agricultural rollbacks. He has experience in many of Texas’s 254 counties – including all of the major counties.

Over the course of his career, David has represented billions of dollars of assessed value and successfully negotiated hundreds of millions of dollars in property tax reductions and refunds. David’s prior experience also includes over a decade of experience as a property tax consultant in Texas – making him uniquely qualified to work with commercial property owners and their consultants as he thoroughly understands what is involved the property tax process before litigation commences. With property taxes often being the single highest expense for commercial property owners, David recognizes the annual property tax fight, and the frustration that accompanies the process, that commercial property endures every year. David enjoys working closely with clients and assisting them with all their needs related to property taxation. Aggressive, forward-leaning representation, utilization of appraisal district and opposing counsel relationships as well as pragmatic and efficient resolution of value issues are hallmarks of David’s practice.

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MELINDA BLACKWELL **Blackwell & Duncan, PLLC**

Melinda D. Blackwell is a member in the boutique property tax law firm of Blackwell & Duncan, PLLC. She is a graduate of Louisiana State University – Shreveport with a degree in Sociology and a recipient of her Juris Doctorate from Baylor University School of Law. Melinda is admitted to practice in Oklahoma and Texas, U.S. Supreme Court, U. S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit and the U. S. District Court, Northern District of Texas. She has been heavily involved in property tax disputes throughout Texas for over twenty years. Upon graduating from law school in 1990, Melinda worked as an attorney for the Law Offices of Earl Luna until 1995. During that time, she represented appraisal districts, taxing units, and other government entities with property tax issues. In 1995, Melinda joined Brusniak | Backwell, PC and became a partner in 2003. In 2013, Melinda formed the firm of Blackwell & Duncan, PLLC.

She is the past Chair of the American Bar Association, Section of Real Property, Property Tax Committee; the past Vice-Chair of the American Bar Association, Section of Real Property, Land Use and Environmental Group, the past Chair of the American Bar Association, Section of Real Property, Land Use and Environmental Group, and the current Vice-Chair of the State Bar of Texas, Section of Taxation, Property Tax Committee; a member of the Institute for Professionals in Taxation; the Texas Association of Assessing Officers; and Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals.

KENNETH E. GRAEBER **Vice President/Marvin F. Poer & Company**

Kenneth Graeber manages the Houston office of Marvin F. Poer & Company. In addition to managing the office, Kenneth oversees services to numerous clients and is primarily responsible for handling appeals on major office properties in Harris County.

Mr. Graeber graduated from Texas A & M University with a MS degree in Agricultural Economics and was employed by Texas A & M where he conducted and developed education programs on appraisal, investment analysis, and income and estate tax management. He also authored publications on these topics. He served as the Executive Director of the State Property Tax Board and as the Chief Appraiser of Harris County Appraisal District in Houston.

He is a registered Senior Property Tax Consultant in the State of Texas. Formerly served as President of the Texas Association of Property Tax Professionals (TAPTP), currently serves as Chairman of the Ethics Committee and serves on the Government Relations Committee.

ROLAND H. ALTINGER **Chief Appraiser, Harris County Appraisal District**

Roland H. Altinger is the chief appraiser for the Harris County Appraisal District, a position he has held since July 2016. As chief executive officer for one of the largest assessment entities in the United States, he is responsible for over 600 employees and the annual reappraisal of more than 1.8 million parcels of property, with a total market value of approximately \$570 billion. The district is served by over 180 Appraisal Review Board members.

Joining the district in 1988 as a residential appraiser trainee, Altinger earned promotions over the years to taxpayer liaison officer, director of the information and assistance division, assistant chief appraiser, and deputy chief appraiser. His previous employment includes experience in property management and sales, market research, and commercial appraisal.

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Attending Texas State University, Altinger played on two college championship football teams and, in 1984, received a bachelor of business administration degree. He continued his education through the Alicia Smith Institute of Real Estate, American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, and the International Association of Assessing Officers. He is a registered professional appraiser, certified tax administrator, certified assessment evaluator, certified chief appraiser, and licensed real estate broker.

Altinger is a member of the Institute of Certified Tax Administrators (ICTA), the Texas Association of Assessing Officers (TAAO), the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO), and the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts (TAAD). His testimony concerning tax administration is frequently requested before sessions of the Texas legislature.

Altinger serves on TAAD's legislative committee and as Region IV Director. He is also president of the TAAD chapter of IAAO. Altinger is one of two IAAO instructors in Texas, an avid fisherman, and father of three.

JEFF LAW

Chief Appraiser, Tarrant Appraisal District

Mr. Law is a native of Burleson, Texas and resides there with his wife and twin teenaged daughters. He graduated from Texas Christian University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance.

Jeff serves as the Chief Appraiser for the Tarrant Appraisal District. Prior to TAD, he served for more than ten years as the Chief Appraiser of the Hood County Appraisal District and has collectively worked in the property tax profession for more than twenty-seven years.

Jeff has served as President of the Texas Association of Appraisal District and is also members of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers and the International Association of Assessing Officers. Jeff also serves on the Fort Worth Aviation Advisory Board and is a private pilot.

He is a certified property tax instructor for the State Comptroller's office, and is a past recipient of the Certified Tax Administrator of the year award.

Jeff is a frequent speaker for state property tax associations and civic and local community groups.

BRENT SOUTH

Chief Appraiser, Hunt Central Appraisal District

Brent began his career in the property tax profession at Smith County Appraisal District and has worked for Dallas CAD and Rockwall Cad before accepting the position of Chief Appraiser for Hunt Cad in 2007.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Western Governors University and has obtained the designations of Registered Professional Appraiser, Registered Texas Assessor, Certified Tax Administrator and Certified Chief Appraiser.

Brent was the 2014 President of the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts and currently serves as chair of the TAAD Legislative Committee. He was awarded the 2011 James W. Robinson Legislative Award for his work with the Texas Legislature and the Earl Luna award in 2017.

Member of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers, Rural Chief Appraisers, International Association of Assessing Officers, Hunt County Alliance for Economic Development, Leadership Hunt County, Greenville

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Rotary Club, and serves on the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee.

MARYA CRIGLER

Chief Appraiser, Travis Central Appraisal District

Marya Crigler is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. She has over 25 years' experience with Travis Central Appraisal District and during that time has held a variety of positions to include Appraiser, Modeler, Director of IT, ARB coordinator, Deputy Chief of Operations and was appointed Chief Appraiser in December 2011. She is a member of the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts, International Association of Assessing Officers, Texas Association of Assessing Officers and served on the Comptrollers Property Value Study Advisory Committee.

W. KENNETH NOLAN

Chief Appraiser, Dallas Central Appraisal District

W. Kenneth Nolan is Chief Appraiser for the Dallas Central Appraisal District. In his duties as Chief Appraiser, he is responsible for Appraisal Services, Administrative Services, Legal Services, and Information Technology. This includes a staff of 228 with an annual budget in excess of \$24 million. The Dallas Central Appraisal District includes 60 taxing jurisdictions, 827,000 parcels of real and personal property with a total value of approximately \$275 billion. He has been with the DCAD since its inception in 1981.

Ken received a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1976 and a Master's in Public Administration from Lamar University in 1980. He also holds the RPA (Registered Professional Appraiser and RTA (Registered Tax Assessor Collector) designations from the Board of Tax Professional Examiners of the State of Texas and the CTA (Certified Tax Administrator) from the Institute of Certified Tax Administrators and TAAO.

Ken is a member of several professional associations including the Texas Association of Assessing Officers, Texas Association of Appraisal Districts and the International Association of Assessing Officers. He is a Past President of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers.

Mr. Nolan has spoken to numerous groups including the annual TAAO Conference; annual TAAD Conference; Texas School Assessor Association; North Texas, Northeast Texas, East Texas, Gulf Coast, and Rio Grande Valley Chapters of TAAO; and the Property Tax Institute at the LBJ School at the University of Texas.