

IRS Statement

The IRS made three leadership announcements today involving Services and Enforcement, Appeals and Tax Exempt and Government Entities.

Kirsten B. Wielobob has been selected to succeed John M. Dalrymple as the next **Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement (DCSE)**. In the immediate future, Kirsten will begin serving as Senior Advisor to the Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement and will remain in that position during a transition period. As Senior Advisor, she will provide support for the direction to the four taxpayer-focused IRS operating divisions, including Wage and Investment; Large Business & International; Small Business/Self-Employed and Tax Exempt and Government Entities. She will also assist in overseeing the IRS Criminal Investigation Division, Office of Professional Responsibility, Online Services, the Return Preparer Office and IRS Whistleblower Office.

Kirsten currently serves as Chief, Appeals, where she oversees the independent administrative process for taxpayers contesting an IRS compliance action. Prior to that position, Kirsten held several positions in IRS and the Office of Chief Counsel, such as Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Operations Support and Division Counsel (Wage & Investment). She began her IRS career in 1997 as Assistant to the Commissioner. Before the IRS, Kirsten worked as a tax associate in the law firm of Burt, Staples & Maner, and later at the law firm of Baker & McKenzie. She holds a BA in economics from Smith College. She graduated from George Washington University Law School and is a member of both the Massachusetts Bar and District of Columbia Bar.

Donna C. Hansberry has been selected as the **Chief, Appeals** for the IRS. In this position, she will be responsible for the Appeals office. The mission of the independent office is to oversee resolving tax controversies, without litigation, on a basis which is fair and impartial to both the government and the taxpayer.

Donna currently serves as Deputy Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities. There she is responsible for administering the tax law governing employee retirement plans, tax-exempt organizations, tax-exempt bonds, Indian tribal governments, and federal, state and local governments.

Donna previously served as Director, Shared Support (LB&I), Director, Global High Wealth (LB&I), and as Director, Abusive Transactions (SB/SE). Prior to that, Donna led the standup of the Joint International Tax Shelter Information Centre (JITSIC), and served as assistant to the IRS Commissioner.

Donna began her IRS career in 1987 as a trial attorney in Chicago, IL. She has a BA from Boston College, a JD from Washington University, and an MBA from Northwestern University.

David W. Horton has been selected as **Deputy Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities**. In this position, he will be responsible for administering the tax law governing employee retirement plans, tax-exempt organizations, tax-exempt bonds, Indian tribal governments, and federal, state and local governments.

Dave currently serves as the Assistant Deputy Commissioner Compliance Integration in the Large Business and International Division (LB&I). In this role, Dave is responsible for planning, developing, directing, and implementing a comprehensive, integrated strategic research and compliance program, and campaign project management activities.

Dave previously served in other IRS leadership positions, including the acting Deputy Commissioner International, Director of International Individual Compliance, Director of Field Specialist and the Director of Field Operations (West) Heavy Manufacturing and Transportation Industry all in LB&I.

Dave began his IRS career in 1984 as a revenue agent in St. Louis, Missouri. He holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Olivet Nazarene University, a master's degree in taxation from Walsh College and is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant in the State of Michigan.