



To ATA Members and Visitors,

The American Taxation Association (ATA) is home to a broad group of members with interests in tax research, policy, practice, and education. We welcome you to join us in our mission.

These are unusual times. Our last in-person meeting was in February in Fort Worth. Thank you to Jenny Brown, Kerry Inger, Dan Lynch for their efforts in organizing their portions of the conference weekend, as well as thanks to all those on their committees. Then, all of a sudden, the world went virtual, with the Annual Meeting moved on-line. But even in a virtual setting, the ATA had a great set of sessions thanks to the efforts of Program Chair Lisa Eiler and Vice-Chair Katherine Drake. A number of conference attendees took advantage of the virtual reception to catch-up and renew acquaintances, safely apart, by miles, and time zones.

Looking ahead, this year's Mid-Year Meeting is scheduled to be in St Louis on February 19-20, 2021, with planning being led by ATA Vice-President Jeri Seidman. February 18 will be the Teaching & Curriculum Conference (committee chair Mollie Adams) and the ATA/KPMG Doctoral Consortium (committee chair Bridget Stromberg). Keep an eye on your email and the ATA webpage for more details and updates on the conferences.

I am honored to have been selected to serve as President of the ATA for this year. This is a truly remarkable group of people who I am privileged to be a part of.

On behalf of the members of the ATA, many thanks to Diana Falsetta who led this group last year and managed the ATA as it adapted to so many unforeseen issues.

I look forward to seeing everyone, in person, as soon as we can safely be together again. Until then, stay safe and stay healthy.

All the best to you this academic year,

George Plesko

ATA President, 2020-2021

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