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Secretary Stephanie Schardin Clarke named to FTA Board
Federation of Tax Administrators offers services to improve tax administration

Taxation and Revenue Department Secretary Stephanie Schardin Clarke has been named to the Federation of Tax Administrators Board of Trustees.

Schardin Clarke earlier this year also was named vice chair of the Multistate Tax Commission after serving as a member at large since November 2019.

The Federation of Tax Administrators (FTA) was organized in 1937 to improve the quality of state tax administration by providing services to state tax authorities and administrators. These services include research and information exchange, training, and intergovernmental and interstate coordination.

The Federation also represents the interests of state tax administrators before federal policymakers where appropriate. FTA serves the principal tax collection agencies of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Philadelphia, and New York City.

The Multistate Tax Commission is an intergovernmental state tax agency formed through compact whose mission is to achieve fairness by promoting compliance and consistent tax policy and practice, and to preserve the sovereignty of state and local governments over their tax systems.

The MTC is scheduled to have its spring committee meetings in Albuquerque from April 19-22, 2022.

“New Mexico’s participation in these national organizations helps ensure we stay informed about developments in state, federal, and local tax issues,” said Schardin Clarke. “These organizations offer a great deal of support to revenue agencies nationwide, including professional development opportunities and peers with which to discuss challenging legal and policy issues.”

Schardin Clarke was appointed as Secretary of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham in January 2019.

She has previously served as Deputy Secretary for the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration, Director of the New Mexico State Board of Finance, Economist for both the Legislative Finance Committee and the Department of Finance and Administration, and Finance Director for Santa Fe County.

Schardin Clarke holds a bachelor's in economics from the George Washington University and a master's in economics from the University of New Mexico.

The Taxation and Revenue Department serves the State of New Mexico by providing fair and efficient tax and motor vehicle services. It administers more than 35 tax programs and distributes revenue to the State and to local and tribal governments throughout New Mexico.

The Department strives to reduce taxpayer burden through clearer communication, statutes, regulations, forms, correspondence and instructions.

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