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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year 2016

Hope everyone had a great holiday season. I know this time of the year many of you are very busy appraising, collecting, and litigating so I won't take much of your time. I do want to invite everyone to register for this year's conference.

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual TSAA Conference will be held at the Austin Hilton Airport on April 3 – April 6. I am proud to say that the TSAA Board of Directors has worked hard to put together an excellent conference. We have prepared a great agenda with topics that are of interest to everyone in this industry.

If you know of someone that has never been to our conference, please invite them to attend and let them know that we will be sponsoring two first time attendee scholarship. For more information on the conference, please visit our website at [www.tsaa.org](http://www.tsaa.org)

Also, the hotel has provided a link where you can book your rooms online for the conference this year at the following link

<http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/AAUSAHHF-TSAA4-20160402/index.jhtml>

Looking forward to seeing you all in Austin,

Monica Madrigal, RTA  
TSAA President



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# Texas School Assessors Association, Inc. 2016 Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Professional Designations \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ BTPE# \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your membership classification:

- |                          |           |         |   |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ACTIVE    | \$55.00 | Assessors and/or Collectors, Chief Appraisers   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ASSOCIATE | \$40.00 | Tax Office/Appraisal District Personnel   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | AFFILIATE | \$55.00 | Superintendents, Education Service Center Personnel, Attorneys, Professional Appraisal Company Personnel involved in assessment and/or collection of taxes. |

Make check payable to: **Texas School Assessors Association, Inc.**

Mail completed form and check to:

TSAA  
% Marcia Duggan, Exec. Director  
205 N Washington  
Aspermont TX 79502  
  
940/988-4371

# First-Time Attendee Scholarship Application

## 2016 Conference & Workshop

### April 3 - 6, 2016

TSAA is offering **TWO SCHOLARSHIPS** to first-time conference attendees. Please limit one application per office. If you or someone you know are interested, please fill out the following form and mail to:

TSAA  
% Marcia Duggan, Exec. Director  
205 N Washington  
Aspermont TX 79502  
(940)988-4371

**THE DEADLINE FOR THE APPLICATION IS MARCH 19, 2016.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS COVER REGISTRATION.** Applicants must be a member of TSAA.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

BTPE#: \_\_\_\_\_ Designation: \_\_\_\_\_ RTA \_\_\_\_\_ RTC \_\_\_\_\_ RPA

Length of time in Ad Valorem field: \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

Give a brief explanation of why this scholarship would be beneficial to you. Please include past accomplishments, as well as future plans and goals.

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I affirm that the information provided in this application is true and correct.

Applicants Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# TSAA 49th Annual Conference Registration Form

## April 3 - 6, 2016

Please copy and complete one registration form per person. Please print. Checks must accompany registration. **Make checks payable to TSAA** and mail to:

Irving ISD % Cher Elzy  
PO BOX 152021  
IRVING TX 75015

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name to appear on badge: \_\_\_\_\_

First Conference \_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_ 25 year+ Member \_\_\_ Retired Member \_\_\_

Spouse/Companion Name to appear on Badge \_\_\_\_\_

To help us plan for events, please check if you plan to attend:

**Food Allergies** \_\_\_\_\_

President's Reception \_\_\_ Monday Luncheon \_\_\_ Tuesday Luncheon \_\_\_ Awards Banquet \_\_\_

**Registration Fee:**

Early Registration	\$225	_____
Late Registration	\$250	_____
Non-Member Registration	\$255	_____
One Day Registration	\$125	_____
Sunday _____		
Monday _____		
Tuesday _____		
Companion Registration (Spouse/Child)	\$130	_____
Extra Luncheon Ticket	\$ 30	_____
Extra Banquet Ticket	\$ 50	_____
Total Enclosed		_____

**Deadline for Early Registration: March 19, 2016**

In the event of a cancellation, refunds will be made 4 - 6 weeks after conference ends.

A \$100 fee will be deducted from any refund for food and administration fee.

All refund requests must be in writing.

# Texas School Assessors Association, Inc.

## 49th Annual Conference & Workshop

### Tentative Schedule

#### Sunday, April 3, 2016

1:00 - 5:00	Committee Meetings	To Be Posted
3:00 - 5:00	Conference Registration	Hotel Lobby
4:00 - 6:00	TACA Board Meeting	
6:00 - 8:00	Vendor Showcase	
6:30 - 8:00	President's Reception	
8:00 - 10:00	Bingo	

#### Monday, April 4, 2016

8:00 - 8:45	Continental Breakfast	
8:45 - 9:00	President's Welcome	Monica Madrigal, President
	Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance	
9:00 - 10:30	Capturing & Cultivating Great Customer Service through High-Performance Ethical Leadership	Kent Hutchison C.J. Baxter Group
10:30 - 11:00	Break/Door Prizes	
11:00 - 12:00	The Comptroller's Value & It's Relationship to School Funding	Carla Pope-Osborne Lacy Harris Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP
12:00 - 1:30	Fellowship Luncheon/View Vendors	
1:30 - 2:00	TSAA & CSTA Business Meeting/Door Prizes	
2:00 - 3:15	State Laws & Rules Update	Wendy Nash Dallas Central Appraisal District
3:15 - 3:45	Break/Door Prizes	
3:45 - 4:30	Open Meetings	Pete Smith, Attorney Nichols, Jackson, Dillard, Hager & Smith
4:30	Door Prizes & Adjourn	

#### Tuesday, April 5, 2016

8:00 - 8:45	Continental Breakfast	
8:45 - 9:00	Call to Order	Monica Madrigal, President
9:00 - 10:30	Attitude, Belief & Commitment of Outstanding Customer Service	Jim Gentil
10:30 - 11:00	Break/Door Prizes	
11:00 - 11:45	Is The World About To Change For Texas Property Tax Lenders?	Edward Lopez, Partner Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP
12:00 - 1:30	Luncheon	
1:30 - 2:45	Ethics	Bruce Medley, Partner Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP
2:45 - 3:15	Break/Door Prizes	
3:15 - 4:15	Ethics Cont'd	Bruce Medley, Partner Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP
6:30 - 8:00	Banquet & Installation of Officers	
8:00 - 12:00	Entertainment/Door Prizes	People's Choice

## Tentative Schedule Continued

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

8:00 - 8:45	Continental Breakfast	
8:45 - 9:00	Call to Order	Monica Madrigal, President
9:00 - 10:15	Refunds Under Senate Bill 1	Matthew Tepper, Attorney McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen
10:30 - 11:45	Comptroller of Public Accounts & Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation	Shannon Murphy Comptrollers Office Shane Docherty Advisory Board
11:45	Grand Prize Drawing - Adjourn	

**THE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE  
HILTON AUSTIN AIRPORT  
9515 NEW AIRPORT DR  
AUSTIN, TX 78719  
THEIR NUMBER IS 512-385-6767. RATES ARE \$135 FOR SINGLE/DOUBLE.**

**THE RATES ARE GOOD THROUGH MARCH 19, 2016.**

**Courtesy of The Hilton Austin Airport Hotel we now have a personalized group page. To get to the page you have to enter the whole link. You can make your reservations here or you can contact the number above.**

[http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/A/AUSAHHF-TSAA4-20160402/  
index.jhtml](http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/A/AUSAHHF-TSAA4-20160402/index.jhtml)

# CSTA Application

Colette Ballinger is accepting and processing applications for the Certified School Tax Administrator designation. Those of you who hold an RTA or RTC certification from TDLR or PCC certification from TACA are required to have completed an appraisal course in order to qualify for the CSTA designation. Those of you who hold an RPA certification from TDLR are required to have completed any tax collection course in order to qualify for the CSTA designation. Applicants must be a current member of TSAA, must complete an application form and include proof of completing the appraisal course or tax collection course. Fee for the designation is \$30.00. Send the completed application and all required documents to:

**Colette Ballinger  
Grapevine/Colleyville ISD  
3072 Mustang Dr  
Grapevine TX 76051**

**817/251-5632**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

TDLR # \_\_\_\_\_

TACA # \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Present position in assessing and/or appraisal field:

If position is not with a school district, do you do any school tax work? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ or No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Education (College, training courses, TAAO, SRA, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Teaching and lecturing experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorship of articles, reports, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional designations and what they stand for: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aspermont TX 79502



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