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New assistant tax administrator appointed

Michael F. Canole, CPA, formerly served as chief of examinations

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – Michael F. Canole has been promoted to the rank of assistant tax administrator at the Rhode Island Division of Taxation by Rhode Island Tax Administrator Neena S. Savage.

Canole, who had been serving as acting assistant tax administrator, will officially assume his new post as second-in-command at the agency on June 12, 2017, and will also hold the title of associate director of revenue services.

“I am pleased to announce the promotion of Michael Canole as assistant tax administrator at the Division of Taxation,” said Rhode Island Tax Administrator Neena Savage. “His deep knowledge of taxation and tax administration, coupled with his extensive experience through a long and accomplished career in multiple roles within the Division, make him the ideal candidate for this position,” she said.

A native of Newport, R.I., Canole joined the Division of Taxation as an accountant in September 1973, shortly after graduating from the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration, concentrating in accounting. He became a Certified Public Accountant in 1985.

Canole served in the agency’s Revenue Accounting, Field Audit, and Personal Income Tax sections before being named chief revenue agent of Personal Income Tax in 1992. In 2008, he was promoted to the rank of chief of examinations. In January 2016, he was named acting assistant tax administrator.

Canole, who lives in Cranston with his wife, Mary, is recording secretary of CPE Associates, a nonprofit provider of continuing education services for CPAs. He is also a member of the Rhode Island Association of Public Accountants.

ABOUT THE DIVISION

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation has approximately 230 employees and an operating budget of more than \$23 million for the current fiscal year. The Division administers more than 50 tax types and fees and is projected to collect approximately \$3 billion in revenue for the current fiscal year. The Division of Taxation’s mission is to foster voluntary compliance with Rhode Island tax laws and to instill public confidence through professional, impartial, and ethical conduct. The Division administers and collects all taxes as required by Rhode Island law in the most efficient and cost-effective manner, and assists taxpayers by helping them understand and meet their tax responsibilities. The Division is part of the Department of Revenue, which also oversees the Lottery, Motor Vehicles, and Municipal Finance Divisions, as well as the Office of Revenue Analysis.