# South Carolina Board of Accountancy

# SC BOARD NEWS

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## **UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION**

You must notify the Board if there are any changes in your address or contact information. If you have moved, changed your address, phone number, or email address, or changed employers, you can update your information online.

- Individuals changing their name will need to include a copy of the legal document changing it.
- Resident Managers have the responsibility to inform the Board of any changes regarding their firms' information within 30 days of the action.



## **BOARD MEMBER NEWS**

The South Carolina Board of Accountancy elected new officers at its October 26, 2021, meeting. Jada W. McAbee, CPA, was elected Chair, Christopher S. Huggins, CPA, was elected Vice Chair, and Dean Kenneth Whitener, CPA, was elected Secretary.



Jada McAbee

# APPLY NOW: BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY INVESTIGATOR POSITION

The South Carolina Board of Accountancy wants you to know about a great career opportunity available at LLR that will allow you to give back to the profession and serve the public.

The Board is in the process of recruiting for an <a href="Investigator V">Investigator V</a>. This position supports the Accountancy Board and requires applicants to be an actively licensed SC CPA, in good standing, with five years of CPA experience. Applicants for this position should have current experience (within the last 5 years) with auditing and with professional standards, to include, but not be limited to GASB, FASB, GAAP, GAAS and SSARS. If you or anyone you know is interested in this position, an application is available <a href="Online">online</a> or you can review the position description and start the application <a href="here">here</a>. Please forward this information to anyone you know who might be interested in this opportunity.



# HOW THE BOARD WORKS: MEETING AGENDAS

All meeting agendas are posted on the Board's website a minimum of 24 hours prior to the meeting. Meeting agendas are also disseminated to the media and interested parties via email. Anyone who would like to be included on the meeting agenda distribution list may request to be added by contacting Board staff at <a href="Contact.Accountancy@llr.sc.gov">Contact.Accountancy@llr.sc.gov</a>. Please be sure to use the subject line "Request to be added to meeting agenda distribution list", to ensure your request is processed timely.

#### DETERMINING CARRYOVER HOURS

Think about a 40-hour jar of sand:



- 1. First, add your carryover hours from the previous year (up to 20 hours)
- 2. Then, add in your required ethics
- 3. Add any personal development (up to 8 hours)
- 4. Next, add in any self-study (up to 20 hours)
- 5. Add any other hours that are limited
- 6. Then top it off with your all other hours

Any hours spilling over the top will be your carryover!

For any area where the hours are limited, excess hours are discarded.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Charles J. L. Brooks

Deltrease Hart-Anderson, Accounting Practitioner Christopher S. Huggins, CPA, Vice Chair Jada W. McAbee, CPA, Chair

David C. Nichols, Accounting Practitioner

Janet M. Pierce, CPA Lora W. Prevatte, CPA

Dwight C. Summers Jr., CPA

Dean Kenneth Whitener, CPA, Secretary

Walda C. Wildman, CPA Robert P. Wood, Esquire

#### **BOARD STAFF:**

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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

January 2022		
31	Renewal Deadline	
February 2022		
15	Non-renewed Licenses Lapse	
21	Presidents Day – CLOSED	

Unless otherwise noted, all Board meetings start at 10 a.m. Requests to appear before the Board, together with all related documentation, must be in writing and submitted at least 10 business days before the meeting. Written requests are to be sent to SC Board of Accountancy, PO Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329.

# **TOTAL LICENSEES AND REGISTRATIONS AS OF 12/31/2021**

TYPE OF LICENSE/	
REGISTRATION	<b>ACTIVE</b>
Accounting Firm In State	1,308
Accounting Firm Out of State	367
Accounting Practitioner	62
Certified Public Accountant	6,266
Public Accountant	3
Total Licensees/Registrations	8,006

#### **DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

Information regarding complaints and ongoing investigations is confidential, however, you can access and search all public Board orders at: https://eservice.llr. sc.gov/PublicOrdersWeb/?divisionId=15.

# NEW CPA OATH CEREMONY

The Fall 2021 New CPA Oath Ceremony was held on November 18, 2021 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center as part of SCACPA's Fall Fest Accounting Conference.



From Left to Right: Lesley Kelly, CPA, Chelsea Buchanan, Chris Huggins, CPA, Jada McAbee, CPA, Angela "Angie" Brazell, CPA, and Robert Tilton, CPA.

Jada McAbee, CPA, Board of Accountancy Chair; and Lesley Kelly, CPA, SCACPA Chair, lead the ceremony. Michael Putich, CPA, Immediate Past Chair of the Board of Accountancy, was the keynote speaker.



Stay tuned for details on the Spring 2022 New CPA Oath Ceremony, which will be included in the next edition of the newsletter. All new licensees are encouraged to attend the Oath Ceremony. New licensees who choose not to attend the Oath Ceremony will receive their wall certificates by mail approximately 30 days after the Ceremony.

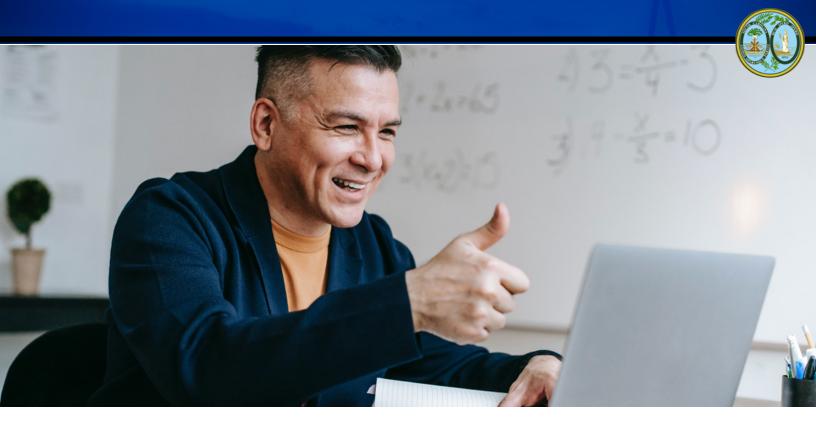
#### RECENTLY LICENSED CPAS - OCTOBER 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

**LAURA ARANGO STEPHEN BARNES KEVIN BECK ALEXANDRA BOOR** JOSHUA BRANDT **JOSHUA BROWN** SHANGWEN CAI **SHERRY DIERKING JESSICA ELLER LUIS ESPINOSA** ADITYA GOKHALE MADELEINE GRAY **RUSSELL GROVES BENJAMIN HALLIGAN MELISSA HARGROVE AMANDA HAWKINS** RANDALL HERRINGTON HILTON HEAD, SC **GRACE HOBSON KYLE KENNEDY** ALEXANDER KHOKHLOV MYRTLE BEACH, SC JAMESINE KILLORIN

GREER, SC MIDDLE BASS, OH MOUNT PLEASANT, SC AUSTIN, TX MAULDIN, SC ANDERSON, SC CHARLESTON, SC BLUFFTON, SC JOHNS ISLAND, SC FORT MILL, SC CHARLOTTE, NC GREENVILLE, SC ROCK HILL, SC COLUMBIA, SC COLUMBIA. SC COLUMBIA, SC COLUMBIA, SC SIMPSONVILLE, SC BURLINGTON, NC

**GERALD LANE ADRIANNE LANE** PATRICK LOVE LAUREN MAGNUSON **ETHAN MOOK BRYANT PATTERSON** ANUPAMA REGE MICHAEL REMER **JAMES ROBARDS MATTHEW ROBBINS ESSE SABEY** RYAN SHANNON ANDREW SLADKY SARA SPONSELLER DAVID STALVEY LAUREL STAUFFER **TONYA STEELE JELENA STEFOGLO** JAMES TREVETHAN

HARTSVILLE, SC MYRTLE BEACH, SC GREENVILLE, SC **BOILING SPRINGS, SC** GREER, SC GREER, SC BLYTHEWOOD, SC NINETY SIX, SC GREENVILLE, SC HILTON HEAD, SC AIKEN, SC CONWAY, SC GREENVILLE, SC GREENVILLE, SC MOUNT PLEASANT. SC ROCK HILL, SC MYRTLE BEACH, SC FORT MILL, SC MYRTLE BEACH, SC MICHAEL WALLACE, JR.MYRTLE BEACH, SC



# RENEWAL TIPS

Renewal and submission of CPE Reports are done through the online portal. A renewal is not complete without a completed renewal form, payment of the renewal fee, and a completed CPE reporting form.

#### **Renewing Online**

- UserIDs are included in renewal notices, which were emailed on December 7, 2021.
- Firm registrations have their own unique UserIDs
- UserIDs are never your email address and are casesensitive
- If you do not know your password, you will need to click "forgot password" and follow the instructions.
- If you need your email changed so you can access your account, this MUST be requested in writing to <u>contact</u>. <u>accountancy@llr.sc.gov</u>.
- · Staff cannot process any payment via telephone.
- The carryover you are being prompted to enter during the online renewal is what is- or will be- on line 6 of table 1 of the current year's CPE form.

#### **CPE Reporting**

- The CPE reporting form is available by clicking the "CPE Reporting Form" tab under the accountancy heading on the Board's home page.
- If you do not fill out page 1, including table 1, sign the form, attach a completed section b, and include any self-study certificates, your report is not considered complete.

- Completed CPE reports should be uploaded in the document submission portal. A <u>link</u> to the upload portal is available in the instructions on page 1 of the reporting form.
- Please try to consolidate your report into one single PDF file
- If using a digital or electronic signature, please ensure that it displays the signature after saving and reopening the file.
- Staff cannot send individualized confirmation of receipt for CPE reports. You can ensure your upload was successful by clicking on "document submissions" in your online account to view previously added reports.
- Do not use the CPE form to notify staff of address changes, employer changes, etc.
- Do not send your CPE report by fax.

#### Other Things

- To ensure your license renewal was successful, please use the licensee lookup feature on the LLR <u>website</u>. If your status is "active," your renewal was successful. If you continue to receive emails about not having renewed, please ensure that you also renewed any firm registration you may have and completed the payment portion of the renewal.
- If you do not intend to renew, you will need to either submit an Emeritus application, or if planning to simply let the license lapse, send written notification to the Board along with your wall certificate. More information about <a href="Emeritus">Emeritus</a> status can be found in the Board <a href="FAQ'S">FAQ'S</a> and the application can be found by clicking <a href="eapply for a license"/">eapply for a license</a> on the home page and scrolling to the bottom of the page.