

Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC) Virtual Public Meeting Wednesday, March 23, 2022 MINUTES

The Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC) held a virtual public meeting via Zoom on March 23, 2022. The meeting was called to order by John Lipold, Chief IRS Liaison at approximately 4 p.m. ET. Mr. Lipold welcomed the public and provided logistical information. Mr. Lipold then introduced Courtney Kay-Decker, ETAAC Chairperson to provide remarks on behalf of the Committee.

Ms. Kay-Decker welcomed the public to the meeting and offered a brief summary of the Committee's purpose and composition. She noted that the meeting was the third public meeting of the 2021-2022 ETAAC Committee, and as such ETAAC is nearing the end of its research work. Ms. Kay-Decker thanked the IRS for making staff available for discussions throughout the process. The Committee is evaluating a number of potential recommendations to reach consensus on the items that are most relevant and impactful to electronic tax administration. At the June annual meeting, the final report will be released.

Ms. Kay-Decker shared the Committee's view that, because of significant work by the IRS, the current tax season is running similar to pre-pandemic seasons for the vast majority of taxpayers. These taxpayers are folks who have filed accurate returns using e-file, and where applicable have requested direct deposit of their refund.

Ms. Kay-Decker then asked Jared Ballew, ETAAC vice chair, to comment.

Mr. Ballew commended the IRS for consistent messaging to taxpayers across various platforms about expected refund times and required source documentation to file accurate returns, highlighting IRS IR-2022-65 as a recent example. Mr. Ballew thanked the ETAAC members for their time, effort, and service as volunteers through this pandemic and the various challenges in preparation for the final report.

Ms. Kay-Decker thanked Mr. Ballew, and opened the meeting to questions and comments from the public. After hearing no questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned.