

# Alabama Department of Revenue

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## New Assignments in State Revenue Department

*Joe Walls Appointed Sales and Use Tax Director; Janet Stathopoulos,  
Business and License Tax Director*

*Montgomery* – Alabama Revenue Commissioner Julie P. Magee recently announced the reorganization of several offices within the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR) and the appointment of two career ADOR employees to fill the leadership roles of those offices.

**Joe Walls** was named director of the department's newly designated Sales and Use Tax Division, and **Janet Stathopoulos** was appointed director of the newly formed Business and License Tax Division. Both appointments were effective Aug. 16, 2011.

Prior to being named Sales and Use Tax Division director, Mr. Walls' career with the ADOR has encompassed over 35 years of service. He brings to the Sales and Use Tax post years of valuable experience in the tax administration field. Mr. Walls began his career with the ADOR in 1976 as an account clerk and has since held various supervisory and management positions throughout his career, most recently serving as the department's Taxpayer Advocate. Mr. Walls, an Auburn University at Montgomery graduate, has a degree in accounting and holds a Certified Public Manager designation.

Janet Stathopoulos began her career with the department in 1985 as an examiner. Moving through the management ranks, from audit manager to hearings officer, and most recently serving as assistant director, Mrs. Stathopoulos' career with the ADOR has spanned over 25 years in various business tax areas. Mrs. Stathopoulos, a University of Alabama graduate, has a degree in accounting and also holds a Certified Public Manager designation.

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“Both Joe and Janet bring years of valuable experience and institutional knowledge to their new job assignments,” said State Revenue Commissioner Julie P. Magee. “Their commitment to public service and their leadership styles set high standards within the department. I am proud to welcome them to their new assignments in Revenue.”

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