Indiana County Treasurer’s Association

Wesley R. Bennett
Commissioner

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Legal Division Team

• Daniel Shackle, Chief of Staff & General Counsel
• Dave Marusarz, Deputy General Counsel
  • Budget Division
  • Data Division
  • Contracts
  • Records Retention
• Emily Crisler, Deputy General Counsel
  • Assessment Division
  • Information Systems Division
  • Public Records
  • Legislative
Legal Division Team

• Who is the legal division’s client?
  • Can not provide legal advice to local units, unless...
    • Is this a legal question that the Department must answer as part of its oversee responsibilities?
    • Local elected officials must work with their legal counsel to apply the facts to the law.

• Other ways to get help with your question
  • Website
    • Previous presentations, guidance memos, FAQs, etc.
    • Ask your associations (AIC, AIM, Auditor’s, Assessor’s, IASBO, etc.)

Legal Division Team

Responsibilities
• Legal Representation to Department
  • Divisions: Assessment, Budget, Communications, Data, Internal Finance, and Information Systems
• Oversee Litigation
• Legislative
• Ethics
• Advise on Policy Issues
• Contracts
• Records Retention
• Public Records
• Advise on Media Relations/Communications
• Rulemaking
• Hearing Officers
TS-1 Committee Members

- Chairperson: Jennifer Templeton, Hamilton County Treasurer
- Co-Chair: Bill Royce, Allen County Treasurer
- Member: Lois Endris, Floyd County Treasurer
- Member: Weston Reed, Howard County Treasurer
- Member: Claudia Fuentes, Marion County Treasurer
- Member: Jessica McClellan, Monroe County Treasurer
- Member: Nancy Allsup, Vigo County Treasurer
- Member: L&D Mail Masters
- Member: Worrell Corporation

TS-1 Committee – DLGF Resources

- Wes Bennett, Commissioner
- Dan Shackle, Chief of Staff / General Counsel
- Jenny Banks, Communications Director
- James Johnson, Data Division Director
- Emily Crisler, Deputy General Counsel
TS-1 Committee Objectives

- Develop Consistent Design
  - Meets Requirements of IC 1.1-22-8.1(b)
  - Workable for all Counties
    - Contains all pertinent information needed by each county
- Survey All County Treasurer’s
- Manage Costs and Workloads
  - Mailings, Postage, Internal & Vendor
  - Final Product to Vendors by October 1

Ultimate Objective:
On Time & Accurate Tax Billing

TS-1 Committee Results to Date

- Two Meetings Already.
- Another Meeting Set for Thursday a.m.
  - Additional Opportunity to Share Thoughts & Ideas.
- Exchanged General Ideas and Current Designs.
- Discussed Needs and Wants for Potential Revisions.
- Pushed Online Survey to All County Treasurer’s.
  - Received Large % of Responses and Positive Comments – THANK YOU!!!
- Drafted Time Table for Final Product – October 1, 2019.
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