

25th ANNUAL CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SEMINAR

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Friday, May 17, 2019

\$130.00 for 8 hours of CPE

Lunch included

**Pat McGowan Workforce Training Center
Holmes Community College
412 West Ridgeland Avenue
Ridgeland, MS 39157**

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| 8:00 – 8:15..... | Registration |
| 8:15 – 9:55 | JT Blalock & Florence Williams <i>"Technology Trends in Accounting & Auditing"</i> |
| 10:05 – 11:45 | Michael Carraway, Jr. <i>"Tax Reform: Now That We've Had Some Time to Think About It"</i> |
| 11:45 – 1:00..... | Lunch provided by Trace Grill |
| 1:00 – 1:50 | Shad White <i>"Update from the State Auditor's Office"</i> |
| 1:50 – 2:40 | Ryder Taff <i>"Where Does Blockchain Fit into Accounting?"</i> |
| 2:50 – 4:30 | Jimmy Wood <i>"Peer Review & Risk Assessment"</i> |

SPEAKERS

JT Blalock, CPA, CHFP, is a senior manager in healthcare at HORNE LLP where he specializes in assurance and consulting services. JT joined the firm in 2006 and has experience in the manufacturing and distribution, healthcare, nonprofit, governmental, and government contractor industries. JT earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Professional Accountancy from The University of Southern Mississippi. He is also a Certified Healthcare Financial Professional.

Florence Williams, CPA, CHFP, is a manager in healthcare assurance at HORNE LLP. She primarily focuses on assurance review and consulting services to healthcare entities such as hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, retirement facilities and companies providing pharmacy services. She specializes in accounting and auditing standards for healthcare, governmental and nonprofit entities. Florence joined HORNE in 2012 with previous experience working for the Mississippi State Treasury. Florence earned a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Master of Accountancy from Millsaps College.

Michael Carraway, Jr., CPA, is a member at Grantham Poole who focuses on Partnership, Corporate, and Individual Taxation. Mike has been advising clients in tax, accounting, and advisory matters for close to a quarter century, working with national, local, and regional firms. In 2014, he joined GranthamPoole. Mike currently leads the firm's Advisory Services Practice, which provides consulting and other non-traditional and forward-focused services to the firm's clients. He likes to speak about tax, business transactions, comics, and history, and he writes about at least a couple of those vocationally. Mike has led tax and advisory practices in multiple industries. He has worked with businesses and individuals of all sizes on tax, structuring, transactional, and strategic issues. His specialty areas include mergers & acquisitions, strategic planning and management, and partnership and corporate taxation, including in-depth planning related to formation, operation, and combination of complex business ventures. Mike has also served in various practice management capacities and has led campus recruiting groups for many years.

Shad White serves as the 42nd State Auditor of Mississippi. Shad earned his undergraduate degree in economics from the University of Mississippi. He studied as a Rhodes Scholar at the University of Oxford, earning a master's in economic history. Shad holds a law degree from Harvard Law School, where he learned the meaning of fighting for values that might be unpopular. While there, Shad served as President of the Federalist Society, a conservative legal association, and brought speakers to campus to defend the legality of public prayer, the morality of work and free enterprise, and the importance of traditional moral values. In 2011, Shad served as Director of Policy to then-Lt. Gov. Phil Bryant. Shad later practiced law in the private sector, served as a special prosecutor in Rankin County, and served as Director of the Mississippi Justice Institute. At the Mississippi Justice Institute, Shad filed and led cases against public officials when they violated Mississippi's open government and ethics laws. He has also taught as an adjunct professor at the University of Mississippi, earned a certificate in forensic accounting from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and previously worked as a fellow at a national think tank on state policy. On July 6, 2018, Governor Phil Bryant announced his appointment of Shad to serve as the 42nd State Auditor of Mississippi.

Ryder Taff, CFA, CIPM, is an Investment Advisor at New Perspectives, a firm he co-owns with Nancy Lottridge Anderson in the Jackson, MS area. Ryder is also a host of Mississippi Public Broadcasting's Money Talks and co-author of the book P.I.G.G.Y. Plan-It: Prudent Investors Get Going Young. Ryder is a CFA Charterholder, a CIPM Charterholder and a graduate of the University of Bristol, in Bristol, England. Ryder's interest in investment analysis goes back to when he was eight and realized that owning part of Coca-Cola was different, and far more interesting, than merely having a cold glass bottle of coke on a hot day. He has been reading annual reports and proxy statements ever since. Ryder regularly contributes to Parents & Kids Magazine through the column, Mississippi Money, and is often quoted in pieces about personal finance. He is a Board Member of the CFA Society of Mississippi, the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science and the Madison-Ridgeland Rotary Club.

Jimmy Wood, CPA, CVA, is an Assurance & Tax Member at Haddox Reid Eubank Betts, PLLC. He is responsible for auditing and accounting of for-profit entities including real estate LLCs, nursing homes, automotive and equipment dealers, information technology entities, franchisors, distributors and retail companies. For these clients, Jimmy also devotes a significant amount of time and effort toward client income and estate/gift tax planning and compliance matters. He is accredited to perform business valuations with the National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts, and frequently utilizes this knowledge in client situations. Additionally, Jimmy performs peer reviews for CPA firms across the country, under the Peer Review Program of the AICPA.

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To register, detach and mail this form with check by May 3, 2019 to:

*Frances Rushton Scholarship Fund, c/o Amanda Boyington, CPA  
P.O. Box 3414, Jackson, MS 39207*

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I am registering for: \_\_\_\_\_ 8 Hours CPE \$130.00 (\$150.00 after May 3, 2019)

Registration fee includes all electronic materials, lunch, mid-morning and mid-afternoon break refreshments.  
Registration Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE after May 3, 2019. Substitutions permitted.

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