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Greetings!

Happy Sweet Sixteen Birthday to Miles Consulting Group! The firm was started 16 years ago this month. Time sure flies by; it seems like just yesterday when my former partner and I decided to leave Big 4 and go "boutique."

Last week, we welcomed the first day of spring. The Vernal Equinox occurred on March 20. This day signifies an equal amount of daylight around the world. With Spring officially underway, we are seeing some sunny weather and warm temperatures.

Speaking of hot, here are some hot topics we're covering this month. We discuss some possible consequences of the upcoming U.S. Supreme Court Case regarding Wayfair and South Dakota. We continue to look at the latest state tax legislation to come out of Rhode Island and how California is fighting back against the proposed Border Wall. Finally, our state spotlight is on Iowa.

Happy Spring!,
Monika Miles
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WAYFAIR V. SOUTH DAKOTA: WHAT ARE SOME POSSIBLE OUTCOMES OF THE ONLINE SALES TAX CASE?

Earlier this year we shared the U.S. Supreme Court would hear a case [related to online sales tax](#): Wayfair v. South Dakota. This ruling could settle how online purchases are taxed, potentially overturning the 1992 [Quill Corp v. North Dakota](#) ruling currently preventing states from collecting sales tax from sellers

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the state.

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about the possible
outcomes of this
monumental case.](#)



CALIFORNIA ATTACKS BORDER WALL- MAYBE?

The Federal Government's proposed border wall with Mexico has been getting a lot of attention lately, particularly since the president recently visited the Golden State. One California legislator has an interesting take on the ongoing disagreement between California and the White House. Assemblyman Phil Ting, of CA, recently announced his bill, A.B. 2355, as a way to incentivize companies not to participate in the building of the wall.



[Click here to read more about CA's opposition to the Border Wall.](#)

ONLINE SALES TAX: WHAT SHOULD YOU KNOW? THE LATEST FROM RI

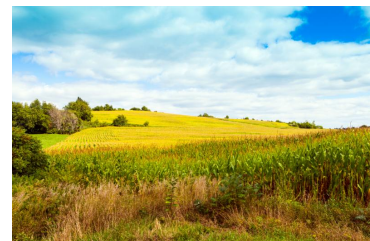
As you know, the online sales tax debate continues across the country as states look for ways to collect fees from internet shoppers to increase their revenue. Rhode Island's reporting law similar to that of [Colorado](#), which makes customers responsible for paying the taxes, is now in effect.



[Click here to read more about Rhode Island's new law.](#)

FOCUS ON IOWA

This month we travel to the Midwestern state of Iowa, the Hawkeye State. Sitting between the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers, the state is known for its rolling plains and cornfields.



Iowa has a humid continental climate throughout the

state with extremes of both heat and cold. The average annual temperature at Des Moines is 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Winters are often harsh and snowfall is common. Iowa summers are known for heat and humidity, with daytime temperatures reaching 90 degrees.

[Click here to read more about the tax landscape in Iowa.](#)

Sponsoring the Avalara CRUSH Conference

Miles Consulting Group is a Conference sponsor and will be presenting a session ("An Avalanche of Sales Tax Returns") at the Avalara CRUSH conference from May 9-12, 2018 in Washington D.C. Use this code at checkout for \$100 off your CRUSH registration- **MCG100**



For more information on this conference, [click here](#).

What's Up at Miles Consulting?

Speaking:

Monika will be giving the following webinars through CPA Academy:

- "How to Start the Sales and Use Tax Conversation with A Client," April 24. To register, please [click here](#).
- "How to start the sales and use Tax Conversation with a Client," May 9. To register, please [click here](#).

Monika will be speaking about "Sales Tax Hot Topics," at the "2018 Empowering Today's Accountant Seminar," hosted by AFWA Mesa East Valley Chapter and IMA in Mesa, Arizona on May 18. To find out more about this seminar, [click here](#).

Networking:

[NAWBO SV](#)

As the Immediate Past President of the National Association of Women Business Owners, Monika invites you to its luncheon celebrating their corporate partners on April 17. To register for the luncheon, [click here](#).

[AFWA](#) - As a member of the Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance, Monika invites you to its Spring Gala on April 24th. Kathleen Ronald will be speaking about Clutteromics. For more information on this event, [click here](#).

Educating:

Monika is a featured blogger at [SalesTaxSupport](#). Check

out her latest blog [here](#) about the California Manufacturer's Sales Tax Exemption.

Don't forget - We do customized multi-state tax presentations for local accounting firms; invite us to do one at your firm! Stay tuned for upcoming webinars!

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