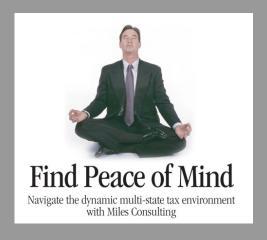


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## Greetings!

As we get ready to close the books on May, it seems like people are starting to get excited about summer. In our discussion with clients, partners, and our own team, it seems that everyone is ready for some summer travel and family adventures. You'd think that things might be slowing down a bit, but we're not seeing that. Our CPA firm colleagues are a bit stressed out about the extended filing season as a result of California's winter storm impacts. (For those of you in other parts of the country – we got a tax relief window to extend both our state and federal filings (and estimated tax payments) to October 15<sup>th</sup> as a result of the many storms.) While a nice deferral for many residents, it strains the compliance efforts.

In our multistate sales tax world, we keep engaging with both new and existing clients to shore up their retroactive exposures (via voluntary disclosures and back-filings) and put them on the path to compliance. We're also seeing notices and audits – no summer break in that space! Speaking of audits, we are kicking off a 5 part series on handling a sales tax audit – from beginning to end. Catch the first article below and stay tuned for the remaining coming up soon. This month, we also compare and contrast state tax nuances for technology companies in the states of Texas and New Mexico, and an update to the taxability of SaaS in Mississippi.

If you are traveling in the next few weeks, we wish you safe travels. As always, if we can be of assistance with your state tax matters, please reach out to any member of our team. We wish you a happy slide into summer, and look forward to connecting with you during the season!

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# MISSISSIPPI REVERSES ITS STANCE ON TAXING SAAS

As businesses both utilize and develop technology product including electronically downloaded software and cloud



computing or Software-as-a-service ("SaaS"), the taxability of these products continues to be varied and can be confusing.

To read more about Mississippi reversing its stance on taxing SaaS, <u>click here</u>.

## THE SALES TAX AUDIT SERIES-FOR CALIFORNIA AND BEYOND

Over the next several weeks we will post five blogs that should interest any taxpayer who is in fear of a sales and use



tax audit — especially an audit that results in a "huge, unexpected liability." These five blogs will help prepare you for all aspects of a sales tax audit by a government agency (before, during and after) and, more importantly, will help to put you on a path to owe little or nothing (you might even get a refund) — particularly if you follow the second of the five blogs, where we'll talk about shoring up your systems before an auditor even shows up.

To read more about sales tax audits in California, click <u>here</u>.

## TEXAS & NEW MEXICO AND SALES TAX-SAAS, SOFTWARE & OTHER

Texas and New Mexico – specifically their

Last month, we changed our format of our State of the Month posts by doing a "compare and contrast" between 2 states – California and Washington. This month, we continue our blog series with a contrast of a couple of southwest states –

treatment of technology items for sales tax purposes.

To read more about taxes in Texas and New Mexico, click here.

# What's Up at Miles Consulting?

## **Networking:**

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Enjoy a glass of wine and nibble delicious hors d'oeuvres at a delightful and comfortable venue while you expand your network and share your stories and successes with other business women. This will take place on Tuesday, June 20 from 6 pm to 8 pm at Tessora's Barra di Vino (234 E. Campbell Ave Campbell, CA).

### **AFWA**

All AFWA events have been postponed due to the Pandemic. Stay tuned for upcoming events!

#### **Educating/Speaking:**

Our blogs are frequently featured on <u>Tax</u> <u>Connections</u>.

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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