

JoAnn Arcand earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI and a Master's degree in Management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY. Her 36 years of general business management experience have spanned the time of telephone messages on pink slips to text messages on cell phones, while working for several Fortune 500 companies and now, WebTecs Inc., her own company. Ms. Arcand founded WebTecs over eight years ago with the purpose of providing web-based software and services for local government. WebTecs work includes award-winning websites for Kent and Ottawa Counties. Other clients include Livingston, Ingham, Ionia and Muskegon Counties.

## John R. Axe

John R. Axe is a graduate of the University of Michigan (B.A., 1960) and Harvard Law School (L.L.B., 1963). In addition to his experience as a practicing bond attorney and financial consultant in municipal issues, Mr. Axe is a co-author of Michigan Municipal law, a two-volume work published in 1981 by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education for the University of Michigan. In 1992, he was appointed as a member of the Permanent Adjunct Faculty of the Wayne State University Law School where he teaches public finance. Mr. Axe formerly served a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL), the first Michigan lawyer ever to serve in this capacity. He has served on the Steering Committees for NABL's Bond Attorney's Workshop in the years 1980, 1981, 1983, 1986, 1989 and 1990.

In 1976 Mr. Axe incorporated the Michigan Association of County Treasurers and served as its General Counsel from 1977 – 1988.

In 1981, Mr. Axe, with several of his partners at Dickinson, formed the firm of Martin, Axe, Buhl and Schwartz, where he served as the public finance partner. This firm, which in 1985 was known as Axe & Schwartz, merged with Dykema Gossett, taking with it Mr. Axe's extensive public finance practice. With the arrival of Mr. Axe, Dykema Gossett established a public finance practice and department, and he became the head of the Public Finance Department.

Effective January 1, 1990, Mr. Axe established John R. Axe and Associates, which was renamed Axe & Ecklund, P.C. effective January 1, 2001.

Mr. Axe has, over this period of time, issued his unqualified opinion as bond counsel on more than 1,800 debt issues with a total face amount in excess of \$10 Billion.

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- . **Member**, National Association of Bond Lawyers
- . **Member**, Bond Club of Detroit
- . **Member**, State Bar of Michigan

## **PHIL BOONE**

Phil Boone has worked for the Michigan Department of Education for over 7 years. In his position as a Financial Analyst he works primarily on calculating State School Aid payments for 863 Michigan School districts and public school academies. In addition, Phil has spent the last year working with Department of Technology, Management, & Budget to re-program the payment system using up to date software in order to ensure the long-term viability of the system. Phil holds a bachelor's degree in Business Studies from Davenport University, and an MBA from the University of Michigan.

### One-Paragraph Bio – Neeta Delaney

Neeta Delaney currently serves as the Director of the Michigan Foreclosure Task Force a broad-based statewide coalition serving as a unified voice responding to the foreclosure crisis in Michigan. She has over twenty-five years of nonprofit executive experience in leading collaborative change and innovation at the organizational, institutional, community and state level. Her career spans the fields of higher education, philanthropy, arts and culture, public policy, community and economic development. She has served as Associate Dean of Continuing Education at Eastern Michigan University, President & CEO of the Jackson County Community Foundation, Founder & Director of the Armory Arts Project, Cultural Economic Development Executive-on-Loan for former Governor Jennifer Granholm, and President & CEO of ArtServe Michigan. Before heading up the Michigan Foreclosure Task Force, she developed and ran a 9-County Foreclosure Response effort in mid-Michigan.

## **Glenn Getschow, Senior Vice President, Government Banking and Treasury Team Leader at The Huntington National Bank**

Glenn has over 29 years of financial services experience with more than 23 years serving clients in West Michigan. He has been focused on treasury management and cash flow services for most of his career, serving in various positions including Branch Sales Manager, Loan Administrator, Manager of Treasury Services and Government Banking Team Lead.

Glenn is a graduate of Western Illinois University and the ABA School of Bank Marketing and Management. He is a current member of the West Michigan AFP, and multiple government organizations, and also a past speaker.

Glenn and his wife Kay have two sons, and also welcomed their first granddaughter last August.



## **Howard Heideman Biography**

Mr. Heideman has 39 years experience in state/local tax policy and analysis. He served as staff to the Michigan Senate Finance Committee for nine years and in 1975 worked with county treasurers on tax foreclosure legislation. Howard has managed tax analysis in the Department of Treasury for the past 29 years. Howard has worked with county treasurers, local treasurers, and school districts to implement the Proposal A tax changes. Howard is part of the Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis, which is responsible for economic forecasting, revenue forecasting, revenue tracking, and revenue sharing payments. Howard is a graduate of the University of Michigan, while his wife of 40 years is an MSU graduate. It goes to show that mixed marriages can work. Howard is also once again the proud husband of a Clinton County commissioner.

## Patrick G. Huber

Patrick Huber has worked for the State of Michigan for over seventeen years. In his current position as the Property Tax Exemption Section Manager within the Michigan Department of Treasury's Bureau of Local Government, he oversees the Tax Exemption (TE) Unit and the Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) Unit. The TE Unit is responsible for program activities associated with the Industrial Facility Tax (IFT), Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA), Neighborhood Enterprise Zone (NEZ), New Personal Property, Air and Water Pollution Control, and Commercial Rehabilitation Abatements. The PRE Unit is responsible for managing the State's PRE Audit Program and other PRE related activities.

Mr. Huber grew up on a family farm in Arenac County and attended Saginaw Valley State University where he received his Bachelors of Art with majors in Criminal Justice and Accounting. He also holds a Masters of Public Administration from Western Michigan University.

## David Huntley

David is a versatile member of the Support Services Division, which is responsible for user support of the State of Michigan's purchasing and accounting systems, including vendor registration, the Contract and Payment Express website.

David started working for the State in 1987 with the Department of Corrections as a Prisoner Store Manager after spending 16 years in retail grocery. While with Corrections he obtained his Bachelor Degree in Business Management from Nazareth College in Kalamazoo, graduating in 1989. In 1994 David started working on Project Main, the State's new purchasing and accounting system where he worked as Help Desk support as well as assisting with training in the new system. When the Project was completed and fully implemented, the Help Desk and Training areas were absorbed into the Office of Financial Management – Support Services Division which currently supports not only the Purchasing and Accounting System, but also Payroll, Time, and Attendance, and Vendor Registration.

## Kenneth D. Parrish CPA, CGMA

Ken Parrish was first elected to serve as the Kent County Treasurer in November 1996. Previously, he served four years as Cascade Charter Township Trustee and four years as Kent County Commissioner, representing Cascade and East Kentwood. Also prior to his election as Treasurer, Ken spent twelve years with Parrish Accounting Service, P.C. as Vice President and Staff Manager.

Ken is past President of the National Association of County Collectors, Treasurers and Finance Officers and the Michigan Association of County Treasurers. Ken holds memberships in the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Assn., Government Finance Officers Assn., MGFOA, AICPA and MACPA.

Ken serves as chairman of the board of the the Kent County Land Bank Authority and Alternative Directions and is a member of the boards of Grand Rapids Children's Museum, Broadway Grand Rapids, Coffee Dunkers of America and Thebes Players. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University and a Master of Business Administration degree from Grand Valley State University.

Ken is married to Peggy and between them have five children. In his free time, he enjoys theater, golf, brewing beer and travel.

*David Quigley*  
*Director of Support Services Division*  
*Office of Financial Management*

Dave is the director of the Support Services Division in the Office of Financial Management in the State Budget Office and is responsible for the state's efforts to consolidate accounting services. In this capacity, Dave is responsible for user and vendor support for the State's central accounting and payables system, including the training and help desk support.

Dave began working for the state in 1996 and was the Director of Finance for Vehicle and Travel Services in Department of Management and Budget until 2001. In this capacity he was responsible for the state travel program as well as the rates and billings for the state's 10,000 vehicle fleet. In 2001, he accepted the job of Director of Operations for Financial Services in the DTMB. There he was responsible for payables, receivables, cashiering, billings, procurement and the state's procurement card program. Prior to joining the state, Dave worked in finance for Oakland County for 10 years.

Dave holds a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and an MBA from Oakland University.

Kevin T. Smith  
Michigan Department of Attorney General  
Lansing

Kevin Smith is a graduate of Northern Michigan University (BS, 1977) and the University of Michigan (JD, 1980) (MS, Natural Resources, 1982).

He has been employed since 1984 with the Michigan Department of Attorney General, since 1993 in the Revenue and Collections Division, where his primary focus has been foreclosure of delinquent real property taxes.

Kevin has authored several articles and is a frequent speaker and panelist on the topic of property tax foreclosures. His most recent publication is Chapter 5, "Property Tax Liens, Forfeitures, and Foreclosures" in *Real Property Taxes in Michigan* (G. Torielli, ed., Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 2010)

Kevin is a member of the Title Standards Committee of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan.

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## Mary Townley

Mary is the Director of MSHDA's Homeownership Division and has worked with the Department of U.S. Treasury to both develop Michigan's Hardest Hit programs and oversee its disbursement of these federal funds to help prevent mortgage foreclosure and now property tax foreclosures.



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Katy Twining has been the Operations Manager in the Homeownership Division at the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) since February 2008.

MSHDA is dedicated to building a thriving and vibrant future for Michigan by providing tools and resources to improve people's lives through programs across the state.

The Homeownership Division provides affordable fixed rate mortgage loans, down payment assistance, Mortgage Credit Certificates (MCC) for the purchase of a new or existing home, and federal Helping Hardest Hit funds to prevent mortgage and tax foreclosures through the Step Forward Michigan programs.

The Homeownership Counseling Program oversees a network of MSHDA approved counseling agencies that provide pre-purchase homebuyer education, financial management, budget counseling, credit repair counseling, home maintenance training, pre-purchasing home inspections and foreclosure prevention counseling.

Ms. Twining previously was employed in the private mortgage banking sector; in all aspects of mortgage loan originations.