



JOHN M. SCHRODER

LOUISIANA STATE TREASURER

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State Treasurer John M. Schroder Announces Executive Staff Appointments

BATON ROUGE, LA – State Treasurer John M. Schroder announced several new additions to his executive staff today.

“Each of these individuals brings a unique set of skills that will complement the team we have in place at the Treasury,” said Treasurer Schroder. “We’ve accomplished a lot during my first two years as Treasurer, and we will continue our push to increase transparency and accountability around the state’s finances.”

The following individuals have joined the Department of Treasury team:

Ashley C. Delrie, Director of Governmental Affairs

Ashley Delrie has over 20 years of professional work experience in both the private and public sectors. She has extensive healthcare experience working for three Fortune 500 pharmaceutical companies. She served as the Director of Development for the Louisiana Animal Welfare Commission functioning within the Office of Governor. In April 2017, she was appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry, Dr. Mike Strain, to serve as a member of the Louisiana Animal Control Advisory Task Force. She previously served as the Chairman of the Caddo Parish Commission’s Animal Services Advisory Committee.

In 2019, Ashley earned her Master of Public Administration from the Louisiana State University E.J. Ourso College of Business, Public Administration Institute. She also earned her Bachelor of Science in Marketing from Louisiana State University College of Business. She is the 2019 recipient of the LSU E.J. Ourso College of Business Astrid Merget Public Policy Award recognizing her commitment to public policy, citizenship, and public service.

Anthony “Tony” V. Ligi, Jr., Executive Counsel

Tony Ligi is an attorney with more than 38 years of legal experience. Most recently he served as Executive Director and Legal Counsel to the Jefferson Business Council. Tony served in the Louisiana Legislature representing House District 79 from 2008 through 2012. During his time as a State Representative, he served on the Legislative Audit Advisory Council and sat on the House Appropriations Committee, Committee on Joint Budget, House Retirement Committee and others. He was Chairman of the Republican House Legislative Delegation in 2013 and received numerous legislative awards.

Tony received his Juris Doctor from Loyola University School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Mansfield University in Pennsylvania.

Michelle Millhollon, Communications Director

Michelle Millhollon is an award winning former journalist with over 20 years of communications experience. She previously served as Communications Director for U.S. Senator John Kennedy and the Louisiana Department of Treasury. Michelle is an adjunct professor at Louisiana State University where she teaches a course in political communication writing. During her time as a capitol reporter for the Advocate, she reported on legislative sessions, complex budget issues, two governors and Hurricane Katrina.

Michelle received her Bachelor of Arts in Communications from Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

In addition to these new hires, Treasurer Schroder announced two executive staff members have taken on new roles within the Department of Treasury. Nancy Keaton is now First Assistant State Treasurer, and Reneé Fontenot Free is Chief of Staff.

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