

## Calendar of Events

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September 8, 2026

**GovCon Breakfast Series (GovCon SIG)**

**Live Virtual Webinar**

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM EST

*Next in the GovCon Breakfast Series --*

*Details: 8:00-9:00 am Tuesday, September 8, 2026*

*Live Virtual Meeting: Zoom meeting information will be sent with your email confirmation.*

*Presenter: TBD*

*Benefits: 1.0 hour of CPE (free to Northern Chapter VSCPA members; non-members pay \$25)*

*We hope you will join us!*

November 10, 2026

**GovCon Breakfast Series (GovCon SIG)**

**Live Virtual Webinar**

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM EST

*Next in the GovCon Breakfast Series --*

*Details: 8:00-9:00 am Tuesday, November 10, 2026*

*Live Virtual Meeting: Zoom meeting information will be sent with your email confirmation.*

*Presenter: TBD*

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April 21, 2026

**When Ethics Meet Enforcement: Circular 230 In IRS Collections**

**Live Virtual Session**

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM EST

*Understanding IRS collections involves more than just technical expertise; it requires a solid grasp of ethical obligations. This course offers tax professionals an in-depth exploration of Circular 230, the IRS's guidelines regarding practitioner conduct in the context of collections. Attendees will encounter real-world scenarios and practical advice to navigate ethical dilemmas effectively, ensuring compliance while protecting client interests and their professional integrity. By the end of the session, participants will feel equipped to address common challenges in tax collection representation.*

*Learning Objectives:*

*Identify ethical issues common to tax collection representation*

*Classify best practices for handling ethical concerns*

*Evaluate relevant rules from the Internal Revenue Code and Circular 230 and their application to collection scenarios*

*Describe the impact of ethical practices on professional reputation in tax collection situations*

*Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026*

*Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00pm*

*Location: Live Webinar*

*Speakers: Rebecca Sheppard, Esq and J Peter Haukebo, Esq both Partners at Frost Law*

*Benefit: 1 CPE credit*

*Cost: Free for members, Guests pay \$25*

April 30, 2026

**Breakfast Roundtable with Fairfax City Mayor Catherine Read and Chapter Meeting**

08:30 AM - 09:30 AM EST

*This session will begin with a brief chapter meeting for the annual board member election.*

*Then, Fairfax City Mayor Catherine Read and her panelists will examine both the opportunities and challenges presented by AI adoption, including workforce displacement, job creation, skills transformation, and the growing need for reskilling and upskilling. The conversation will also address how local government, educational institutions, and private employers can collaborate to ensure that Fairfax remains competitive, resilient, and innovative in an AI driven economy. Offering practical insights, real world examples, and actionable strategies for navigating the future of work, this session hopes to outline what can be done today to prepare for tomorrow.*

*Date: Thursday, April 30, 2026*

*Time: 8:30 am - 9:30am*

*Virtual event with link provided in confirmation.*

*Speakers: Fairfax City Mayor Catherine Read and guests*

*Benefit: 1 CPE credit*

*Cost: Free for members and students (with student ID), Guests pay \$25*

May 12, 2026

**GovCon Breakfast Series (GovCon SIG)**

**Live Virtual Webinar**

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM EST

*Next in the GovCon Breakfast Series --*

*Details: 8:00-9:00 am Tuesday, May 12, 2026*

*Live Virtual Meeting: Zoom meeting information will be sent with your email confirmation.*

*Presenter: TBD*

*Benefits: 1.0 hour of CPE (free to Northern Chapter VSCPA members; non-members pay \$25)*

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May 19, 2026

## **Closing The Retirement Savings Gap: State Auto-IRAs**

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM EST

*In response to a growing retirement savings gap, the Commonwealth of Virginia mandates certain private sector businesses to register and facilitate a retirement savings plan for their employees. Commonwealth Savers, formerly Virginia529, launched RetirePath Virginia in 2023. Join this session for an overview of the Commonwealth's auto-enrollment, state-facilitated retirement savings program and what eligible employers need to do to stay compliant.*

*Attendees will leave the session with an understanding of:*

*Why this law was passed  
Requirements to stay compliant  
Who is required to take action  
What eligible Virginians need to know*

*Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2026*

*Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00pm*

*Location: Live Webinar*

*Speaker: Mary G. Morris is the Chief Executive Officer of Commonwealth Savers (formerly known as Virginia529)*

*Benefit: 1 CPE credit*

*Cost: Free for members, Guests pay \$25*

### *Presenter Bio:*

*Mary G. Morris is the Chief Executive Officer of Commonwealth Savers (formerly known as Virginia529), which provides the largest tax-advantaged education savings program in*

*the country with the Invest529 and CollegeAmerica programs; the tax-advantaged disability savings ABLEnow and ABLEAmerica programs; and RetirePath Virginia, a state-facilitated workplace private retirement program launched in June 2023.*

*Commonwealth Savers also sponsors SOAR Virginia, which administers a variety of scholarship and access, affordability, and attainment initiatives to foster inclusion in educational access and make post secondary education more affordable and accessible to all.*

*Mary works with the executive team to develop the strategic vision and coordinates the operations, resources, outreach, and investments of Commonwealth Savers; she is involved in state and federal legislative and governance issues relating to 529, ABLE and*

*private retirement initiatives and policy. Mary is a lawyer and, in private practice, specialized in tax, public finance, securities and ESG matters. In the public sector, earlier*

*in her career she served as a Virginia Senior Assistant Attorney General for Tax and Finance and served a term as the Treasurer of Virginia.*

*Mary earned her Juris Doctor and Master of Law and Taxation from the Marshall-Wythe School of Law, College of William and Mary. She is active in both national 529 organizations, having served terms as Chair of both the College Savings Plans Network and the College Savings Foundation. Mary is a member of the boards of the Virginia Council on Economic Education (VCEE) and the Virginia Foundation for Community College Education (VFCCE) and a former board member of Junior Achievement of Central Virginia (JACV).*

July 14, 2026

**GovCon Breakfast Series (GovCon SIG)**

**Live Virtual Webinar**

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM EST

*Next in the GovCon Breakfast Series --*

*Details: 8:00-9:00 am Tuesday, July 14, 2026*

*Live Virtual Meeting: Zoom meeting information will be sent with your email confirmation.*

*Presenter: TBD*

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