

**Remarks by David R. Kraus,
Nominee, Board of Finance and Revenue**

I'd like to thank Chairman Hutchinson, Chairman Miller, and the other members of the Finance Committee for considering my nomination to the Pennsylvania Board of Finance and Revenue. I'd also like to thank my Senator, Senator Rothman.

I appreciated the opportunity to meet with some of you concerning my nomination. The Board of Finance and Revenue is a tax appeals board positioned between the Department of Revenue and Commonwealth Court. I have served as a member of the Board for 10 years, and my goal has been to help taxpayers resolve their disputes with the Department of Revenue without having to go to Commonwealth Court.

My background is suited for the job. Since graduating from law school, my practice has been limited to state tax matters. For most of that time, I was in private practice, representing taxpayers in tax disputes with Departments of Revenue, mostly Pennsylvania but also other states. I represented my clients from audit all the way to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

I've enjoyed putting my background and knowledge to work to make Pennsylvania's tax appeals process effective, fair and respected. I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have.