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Chamberlain Hrdlicka Shareholder Jennifer Karpchuk Appointed To Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission

Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission appoints Jennifer Karpchuk April 16, 2024

Chamberlain Hrdlicka is pleased to announce that Philadelphia-based Shareholder and S.A.L.T. Practice Co-chair Jennifer Karpchuk was appointed to the Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission to represent The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia . Philadelphia City Council President Kenyatta Johnson sponsored the reconvention of the Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission that involves 15 members and will inspect diverse taxes in Philadelphia. Karpchuk will join other business and community stakeholders to review issues like the uneven Post COVID-19 pandemic recovery for communities of color and other programs that impact the Philadelphia community. The first Tax Reform Commission was created in 2002, and their final report was issued in 2003. This new group will additionally review the final report from 2003 and decide if there can be any tax reform to incorporate into the Fiscal Year 2025 budget cycle. The full announcement from the Office of the Mayor can be found here.

"I feel privileged to have been appointed to this esteemed working group and join community and business leaders in Philadelphia," said Karpchuk. "Together we have the chance to foster growth for all businesses in our city and implement effective strategies to support them. I look forward to leveraging my background and experience in state and local tax law to encourage tax reform in this capacity."

Karpchuk's practice focuses on all aspects of state and local tax controversy and planning. She is a nationally sought-after speaker and writer on topics related to state and local tax. She also co-authors the Pennsylvania Tax Handbook and the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Bar Association's Property Tax Deskbook. Karpchuk serves in several leadership roles within the legal community, including as chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association Tax Section, vice chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Tax Section and vice chair of the American Bar Association's State and Local Tax Committee. Additionally, in 2021, Philadelphia Mayor Jim Kenney and the city council appointed her to the city's 2021 Tax Reform Working Group. Karpchuk earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Delaware and her law degree from Temple University's Beasley School of Law. She is nationally ranked by Chambers, was named a Best Lawyers in Tax for 2021 through 2024, and was selected as a "Lawyer on the Fast Track" by *The Legal Intelligencer* for 2021.

Members of the Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission:

 Paul Levy, Richard Vague (Co-Chair), Jovan Goldstein, and Ryan Boyer (Council appointments).



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- Matt Stitt (Co-Chair), Folasade (Sade) Olanipekun-Lewis, Jerry Sweeney, and Greg Segall (Mayor appointments).
- Allan Domb (City Controller appointment).
- Jennifer Karpchuk for The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia.
- Derek Green for the African American Chamber of Commerce of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.
- · Victor Garrido for the Greater Philadelphia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.
- Daniel McElhatton for the Greater Northeast Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.
- David Oh for the Asian American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Philadelphia.
- Zach Wilcha for the Independence Business Alliance.