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## **New Chair Promotes More Involvement By Members in CalCPA Activities**

PASADENA, California — Urging more engagement by members in chapter, committee and interest groups, Andrew Mintzer, CPA, today became chair of the California Society of CPAs (CalCPA.org) for 2016-17.

Speaking at the CalCPA Council's annual meeting at the Langham Huntington Hotel, Mintzer said, "My priorities for the coming year will be to elevate the engagement of our members by supporting a structure and increased opportunities for involvement — all with the goal of helping our members serve the public."

Mintzer said he is committed to advocating for members, supporting their professional and personal growth and promoting the visibility of CalCPA and the profession. He also encourages collaboration with other organizations and financial professionals.

"So many of the skills, credentials and connections that define who I am as a CPA are a direct result of CalCPA," Mintzer told his fellow Council members. "So much of the visibility and value of CPAs in California that I enjoy is due to the efforts of CalCPA."

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Mintzer previously served as CalCPA's first vice chair. He is a forensic accountant and a principal with Hemming Morse LLP in Los Angeles. He currently serves on the AICPA's Professional Ethics Executive Committee and previously served on the Auditing Standards Board and the AICPA's Accounting Standards Executive Committee. He also has been chair of several CalCPA state committees.

"CalCPA has been there for me, and I want to do my part to ensure that a valuable and vital CalCPA is there for our members of today and tomorrow."

For the CalCPA Education Foundation, Mintzer has taught an auditing course. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from the University of South Florida, Tampa. At one time, he was the youngest CPA in Florida.

After working in Texas and Virginia, Mintzer settled in Los Angeles in 1985.

### ***About CalCPA***

Headquartered in San Mateo, California, the California Society of Certified Public Accountants (CalCPA) ([calcpa.org](http://calcpa.org)) is the nation's largest state accounting organization and the largest CPA association in California. It serves more than 40,000 members in public practice, private industry, education and government. Through CalCPA Institute, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, CalCPA members provide financial literacy programs to high schools and community groups.