Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Travel Authorization Form (TAF)

1. Date of Request	2. Travel Request #	3. Department/Division	4. DEPT/ORGN:	5. Appropriation #
04/13/26				

6. Name of Traveler	7. Title	8. Dates of Travel
Geoffrey E. Snyder	Commissioner	From: 06/07/26 To: 06/10/26

9. Travel Itinerary and Justification

Connect with the nation's top tax administrators, commissioners, and policy leaders at the premier gathering for state and local tax professionals. This comprehensive four-day summit brings together decision-makers from all 50 states, DC, and major municipalities to address the most pressing challenges and opportunities in tax administration.
Nashville, Tennessee, Loews Vanderbilt Hotel
Agenda attached.

Attached supporting documentation (conference agendas, brochures, etc.)

10. Expenses

	Personal Funds	MA State Funds	Federal Funds	Other (describe in #12)
Transportation: (check all that apply) ☐ Rail ☐Bus ☑Airfare ☐Car: ☐ State ☐Personal ☐Rental ☑Taxi ☐Other:		$ 501.80		
Lodging: Loews Vanderbilt 217++ x 3= 767.55		$ 767.55		
Meals:		$ 71.00		
Other: (please list): Registration		$ 895.00		
Subtotal	$ 0.00	$ 2,235.35	$ 0.00	$ 0.00

Grand Total: $ 2,235.35

11. Certifications and Authorizations (See G.L. c. 30, §25B)

I hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is true and correct.

Signature of Traveler: Geoffrey Snyder — Date: 04.13.26

I hereby certify that sufficient funds are available for the above described travel accommodations.

Signature of Agency CFO: Timothy Rooney — Date: 04/13/2026

I hereby authorize the anticipated travel described above and related expenses listed in this form.

Signature of Traveler's Appointing Authority: [signature] — Title: Chief of Staff — Date: 4/13/2026

I hereby authorize the anticipated travel described above and related expenses listed in this form.

Signature of the Traveler's Cabinet Secretary: Matthew J. Gorzkowicz — Date: 5/29/2026

12. Travel Funded By Private Entity, Foreign Government Entity, or Federally Recognized Tribe:

Travel Funded By Private Funds: ☐Yes ☐No

If Yes: $_____ Source (Contact Information):_____

TRAVEL FUNDED BY PRIVATE SOURCES MUST BE DISCLOSED TO AND AUTHORIZED BY APPOINTING AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO 930 CMR 5.08 (2)(d)(1). FOR THE APPROPRIATE FORM GO TO: https://www.mass.gov/disclosure-forms

13: Upon final approval, the Cabinet Secretary shall ensure that a copy of this form is distributed to:

☐ **A&F Budget Director & The Office of the Comptroller (please check once complete)**

FTA Annual Meeting June 7-10, 2026

Registration: $895

Government Attendee

Any government employee at the federal, state, or local/municipal level.

$895

Flight: Estimated $501.80

Price Summary

Flights

BOS-BNA, jun 7 12:52pm
BNA-BOS, jun 10 12:31pm
1Non-refundable Round-trip ticket (1 Adult)$438.14Fare restrictions
Taxes & Fees$63.66
Total:**$501.80**

Boston, MA (BOS) to Nashville, TN (BNA)

Jun 07 2026
Nonstop
2h 47m
12:52pm
BOS

2:39pm
BNA

jetBlue
JetBlue B6 197
DetailsSeats
Blue
Change

Nashville, TN (BNA) to Boston, MA (BOS)

Jun 10 2026
Nonstop
2h 34m
12:31pm
BNA

4:05pm
BOS

jetBlue
JetBlue B6 1806
DetailsSeats
Blue

Hotel : $ 217++ x 3 = $767.55

Hotel Accommodations

Book by **May 14** to receive the special conference rates below. Rooms are limited and may sell out before the booking deadline.

If you have issues booking, contact Jacki Bennis at jacki@somp.co
Loews Vanderbilt - Government Only Room Block
$217

per night, plus applicable taxes and fees

Agenda

June 7

:00 PM
3:00 PM
FTA Board of Trustees Luncheon and Meeting (Invitation Only)
Board MeetingOcean Way
3:00 PM
7:00 PM
Conference Registration and Badge Pick-Up
RegistrationGreen Room Foyer
6:00 PM
9:00 PM
Welcome Networking Reception
NetworkingSymphony Ballroom

June 8

:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Commissioners' Breakfast

9:00 AM
9:05 AM
Welcome to Nashville
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

9:05 AM
9:15 AM
Welcome to FTA Annual
Sharonne Bonardi, Vernon Barnett
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

9:15 AM
10:15 AM
General Session

Details available soon

10:15 AM
10:35 AM
Morning Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom

10:35 AM
11:25 AM
Goooooooaaaaaaalllllll! World Cup Impacts on Tax Revenues and Administration
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

11:25 AM
12:00 PM
Presentation of the 2026 FTA Awards
Sharonne Bonardi, Vernon Barnett
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

12:00 PM
1:20 PM
Meal

Details available soon

1:20 PM– 2:10 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Sponsor Series Session 1
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Low-Income Tax Clinics: A collaborative success story
Ryan Froman
LegalLyric

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Partner Association

Details available soon

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

2:10 PM
2:15 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
2:15 PM– 3:05 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Sponsor Series Session 2
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Alternative Apportionment: Its An Economic Thing.
Bruce Fort
LegalLyric

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

100 Years of FTA Excise Tax Programs: Where we've been and where we're going
Kevin Richard
Excise TaxMelody

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

The Latest Trends from the State Chief Information Officer's Association: NASCIO
Doug Robinson
Partner AssociationSound Emporium A/B
3:05 PM
3:15 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
3:15 PM– 4:05 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Sponsor Series Session 3
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Operations Leaders Panel
Andrew Stein, Mark Ashworth, Craig Bolio
TechSound Emporium A/B

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Agency AI Policy Panel
Kevin Milligan
LegalLyric

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

4:05 PM
4:10 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
4:10 PM– 5:00 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Sponsor Series Session 4
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Beware: AI Is Driving the Tax Gap
Josh Sandler
TechSound Emporium A/B

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Criminal Tax Investigations: Essential to Long-term Voluntary Compliance
John Fowler, Nina Olson, John Borchert
LegalLyric

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

5:00 PM
6:00 PM
Networking Reception
NetworkingSymphony Ballroom Foyer

June 9

9:00 AM
9:05 AM
Welcome to Day 2
David Harris
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

9:05 AM
9:55 AM
Economic Update
Emily Mandel
General SessionSymphony Ballroom

9:55 AM
10:45 AM

Predictive Markets: Want to Wager Whether This Commodity Has State Tax Implications?
Sanam Hooshidary, Brian Kane
General SessionSymphony Ballroom
10:45 AM
11:00 AM
Morning Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom
11:00 AM
12:00 PM
The Good, Bad, and Funny: Developments in SALT Litigation
Brian Oliner, Jeffrey Friedman, Lila Disque, Richard Pomp, Jim Eads
General SessionSymphony Ballroom
12:00 PM
1:20 PM
Lunch on Your Own
MealSymphony Ballroom
1:20 PM– 2:10 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Sponsor Series Session 5
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

State Legislative Update
Zach Wyatt
LegalLyric

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Audit

Details available soon

1:20 PM – 2:10 PM

Comms Panel
Kinsey Woodson, Kelly Cortesi
BreakoutMelody
2:10 PM

2:15 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
2:15 PM– 3:05 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Sponsor Series Session 6
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Federal Legislative Update
Brian Oliner
LegalLyric

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Audit

Details available soon

2:15 PM – 3:05 PM

Tech

Details available soon

3:05 PM
3:15 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
3:15 PM– 4:05 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Sponsor Series Session 7
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Show me the Money (and the 1099) - NIL's implications in State Tax Administration

Brian Oliner, Luke Morris
LegalLyric

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

3:15 PM – 4:05 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

4:05 PM
4:10 PM
Travel Break
BreakSymphony Ballroom Foyer
4:10 PM– 5:00 PM(4 concurrent sessions)

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Sponsor Series Session 8
Sponsor SeriesOcean Way

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

State Sovereignty: Defining and Defending It
Bruce Fort
LegalLyric

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

4:10 PM – 5:00 PM

Breakout

Details available soon

5:30 PM
8:00 PM
FTA Banquet at the Musicians Hall of Fame
NetworkingMusicians Hall of Fame and Museum

June 10

7:30 AM
9:00 AM
Breakfast
MealSymphony Ballroom

8:30 AM
9:00 AM
FTA Annual Business Meeting (FTA Member Representatives Only)
Vernon Barnett
Business MeetingSymphony Ballroom

9:00 AM
10:00 AM
General Session

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