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Mr. Wakeling recently retired after 31 years with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro). As Payroll Manager, David Wakeling was responsible for the activities of a 10,000 employee, six union group payroll. In 2015, Metro won the American Payroll Association prestigious Prism Award for best payroll processes.

Mr. Wakeling has over 40 years of experience as an accountant and payroll professional responsible for accounts payable, accounts receivable, fixed assets, general ledger, payroll, and financial reporting. He has also been Project Manager for the implementation of financial and payroll systems. Mr. Wakeling has taught the Payroll Professional Learning Series for several years at Chapman University.

Mr. Wakeling has been a member of the American Payroll Association's National Speakers Bureau for the past 12 years. As a member of the National Speakers Bureau, he teaches American Payroll Association (APA) seminars and webinars in major cities in the United States and Canada. He also teaches workshops at the annual American Payroll Association Congress. In addition, he is a published author.

Mr. Wakeling currently serves on the APA Board of Advisors and Government/Public Sector Task Force. He received the APA Meritorious Service Award in 2014, and was inducted into the APA Hall of Fame. Mr. Wakeling received the APA Payroll Man of the Year Award in 2017.

Mr. Wakeling holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Nevada (Accounting), and a Master of Accountancy degree from Brigham Young University. He is also a Certified Payroll Professional.