

News Release

Comptroller Lierman to Visit Annapolis Branch Office Monday Afternoon

Tour of Historic Annapolis to include a visit to William Paca and James Brice Houses

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (March 17, 2023) - On the third stop of her statewide tour of the Comptroller's Branch Offices, Comptroller Brooke Lierman will visit the Annapolis Branch Office on Monday afternoon, where she will meet with staff and taxpayers.

Comptroller Lierman will begin the afternoon with a tour of the William Paca and James Brice Houses. Karen Theimer Brown, president and chief operating officer for Historic Annapolis, will lead the house tour, and Joe Kuchuk, head gardener and facilities manager, will lead the garden tour. Paca was one of four Maryland signers of the Declaration of Independence. The Comptroller will be given an overview of an exhibition, "We Hold These Truths: Maryland's Four Signers of the Declaration of Independence." She then will see the Paca garden.

The Comptroller will walk to the James Brice House, which is halfway through a multi-year restoration project, funded in part by significant state investments. Brice was a former Maryland governor and Annapolis mayor who began his political career as a tax commissioner for Anne Arundel County. Michael Day, senior vice president of capital projects, will lead the tour.

Monday's tour of the William Paca and James Brice Houses is part of Comptroller Lierman's broader effort to listen and learn from key stakeholders who have previously engaged with the Board of Public Works. Established in 1952, Historic Annapolis has for decades been a leading nonprofit preservation and history organization in Annapolis and has had several major restoration projects partially funded by state grants awarded by the Board of Public Works. As identified in the [Transition Report](#), Comptroller Lierman, as a member of the Board of Public Works, is committed to streamlining the procurement process, identifying ways to

increase public transparency, and improving the overall experience of organizations that have business before the Board of Public Works.

Afterward, Comptroller Lierman will visit the Annapolis Branch Office to meet with staff and to talk with taxpayers seeking assistance with their tax filings. Christopher W. Rasmussen is the Annapolis Branch manager.

The times for the visits are as follows:

1:30 p.m. William Pace House and Garden
186 Prince George St.
Annapolis, MD 21401

3:15 p.m. Annapolis Branch Office
60 West St., Suite 102
Annapolis, MD 21404

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