

ALASKA SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

72nd ANNUAL MEETING

MAY 27TH – MAY 29TH * FAIRBANKS * WEDGEWOOD RESORT

May 27th Optional CPE Session

K2's Artificial Intelligence: A Working Guide for Accounting & Financial Professionals / 4 Hours

May 27th CPE Sessions

K2's Tech Update: Emerging Trends & Innovations for Accounting Professionals / 2 Hours

CAMICO Professional Liability Update & Claims Game / 1 Hour

May 28th CPE Sessions

K2's Client Accounting Services: Building a Scalable CAS Practice / 4 Hours

Legislative & Regulatory Update & Behind the Scenes in Washington, DC / 1 Hour

Profession & Firm Insights Roundtable / 1 Hour

May 29th Annual Meeting



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Dear Members of the Alaska Society of CPAs:

The AKCPA 2026 Annual Meeting will be held May 27th – May 29th in Fairbanks, Alaska at Bear Lodge at the Wedgewood Resort.

K2 Enterprises Instructor, Atiba Lewis, Founder, ATL Workflow Automation Inc. will present an optional 4-Hour class in the morning on Wednesday, May 27th, K2's Artificial Intelligence: A Working Guide for Accounting & Financial Professionals. Registration fees for this class are separate from the Annual Meeting registration fee.

Annual Meeting festivities begin at 12:00 p.m. on May 27th with lunch and fun followed by K2's Tech Update: Emerging Trends & Innovations for Accounting Professionals (2 CPE credits) presented by Atiba Lewis and CAMICO's Professional Liability Update & Claims Game (1 CPE credit) presented by Mike Ray, CPA / CAMICO President & CEO. You will not want to miss the Opening Reception festivities at Latitude 65 Brewing Company generously sponsored by CAMICO!

Thursday begins with breakfast followed by the sessions: K2's Client Accounting Services: Building a Scalable CAS Practice (4 CPE credits) led by Atiba Lewis. We will break for lunch and wrap up Thursday afternoon with Legislative & Regulatory Update & Behind the Scenes in Washington, DC (1 CPE Credit) led by Mark Peterson / AICPA Executive VP, Advocacy and James Cox / AICPA VP, State Advocacy & State Society Relations, and Profession & Firm Insights Roundtable (1 CPE credit) led by Stephanie Otero, CPA / AICPA Vice President – Small Firm Advocate. We will end Thursday with dinner and planetarium show at The Museum of the North located on the University of Alaska Fairbanks campus generously sponsored by Laughlin, Ogle & Rodgers, LLC.

The meeting will conclude on Friday morning with breakfast and the Annual Business Meeting. All members, including Associate and Student members, are welcome and encouraged to attend. There is no fee for attending the Business Meeting portion of the Annual Meeting.

There will be plenty of time to meet and mingle throughout the event. As always, we have some fun surprises planned. I hope you will join us in the Golden Heart City for the 72nd annual meeting!

Sincerely,

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Schedule of Events

Wednesday, May 27th, 2026

8:30 am to 12:00 pm

K2's Artificial Intelligence: A Working Guide for Accounting & Financial Professionals (4-Hours CPE)

Atiba Lewis, Founder / ATL Workflow Automation Inc.

Optional 4-Hours CPE (Separate Registration Fee)

12:00 pm

Buffet Lunch Served

Sponsor Introductions & Networking Fun

1:00 pm to 2:40 pm

K2's Tech Update: Emerging Trends & Innovations for Accounting Professionals (2-Hours CPE)

Atiba Lewis, Founder / ATL Workflow Automation Inc.

2:40 pm to 3:30 pm

CAMICO's Professional Liability Update & Claims Game (1-Hour CPE)

Mike Ray, CPA / CAMICO President & CEO

4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Opening Reception / Latitude 65 Brewing Company

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Dinner on Your Own

Thursday, May 28th, 2026

7:30 am to 8:30 am

Buffet Breakfast Served

8:30 am to 12:00 pm

K2's Client Accounting Services: Building a Scalable CAS Practice (4-Hours CPE)

Atiba Lewis, Founder / ATL Workflow Automation Inc.

12:00 pm

Lunch

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Legislative & Regulatory Update & Behind the Scenes in Washington, DC (1-Hour CPE)

Mark Peterson / AICPA Executive VP, Advocacy & James Cox / AICPA VP, State Advocacy & State Society Relations

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Profession & Firm Insights Roundtable (1-Hour CPE)

Stephanie Otero, CPA / AICPA Vice President – Small Firm Advocate

6:00 pm

Dinner, Museum Tour & Planetarium Show at The University of Alaska Museum of the North

Generously Sponsored by Laughlin, Ogle & Rodgers, LLC

Friday, May 29th, 2026

7:30 am – 8:30 am / Breakfast Buffet Served

8:30 am / Annual Business Meeting

11:00 am / Adjourn

AKCPA 2026 Annual Meeting Registration

**Bear Lodge / Fairbanks, Alaska
May 27th – May 29th, 2026**



Bear Lodge at Wedgewood Resort - Fairbanks

AKCPA Annual Meeting Room Rates

Standard Double Queen \$239 plus tax/fees

**Room Discount Honored After May 1st Based on Space Availability for
Nights of May 25th – May 31st**

BOOK YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW:

**Contact the Bear Lodge at Wedgewood Reservations Department
and reference the following information**

- **Property: Bear Lodge**
- **Name of Event: Alaska Society of CPAs Annual Meeting**
 - **Group Booking Code: AKCPA5/27/26**

Group Reservations: 1-907-456-3642 or 1-800-528-4916

Registration Fees

Season Pass / Season Tickets Not Valid for This Event

<input type="checkbox"/>	AKCPA Members Only *Includes 9-Hours CPE, Meals & All Annual Meeting Events*	*****	\$645
<input type="checkbox"/>	May 27th Optional 4-Hours CPE K2's Artificial Intelligence: A Working Guide for Accounting & Financial Professionals	*****	\$185 / Member \$255 / Non-Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Guest *Includes Meals, Opening Reception & Dinner*	*****	\$275
<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Member Full Registration *Includes 9-Hours CPE, Meals & All Annual Meeting Events*	*****	\$825
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday Dinner Only (Space Is Limited – Priority Given to Full Annual Meeting Attendees)	*****	\$150

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Annual Meeting / 9-Hours CPE (AM-CPE)

Season Tickets / Season Passes Not Valid For Annual Meeting

K2's Tech Update: Emerging Trends & Innovations for Accounting Professionals (2-Hours CPE)

CAMICO's Professional Liability Update & Claims Game (1-hour CPE)

K2's Client Accounting Services: Building a Scalable CAS Practice (4-hours CPE)

Legislative & Regulatory Update & Behind the Scenes in Washington, DC (1-hour CPE)

Profession & Firm Insights Roundtable (1-hour CPE)

Bear Lodge at The Wedgewood Resort

325 Wedgewood Drive

Fairbanks, AK 99701

Registration Fee / Includes 9-Hours CPE, Meals & All Annual Meeting Events:

\$645 / Member

Non-Member Fee / Includes 9-Hours CPE, Meals & All Annual Meeting Events:

\$775

K2's Tech Update: Emerging Trends and Innovations for Accounting Professionals (2-Hours CPE)

May 27th, 2026 / 1st Afternoon Session

Staying current with technology is no longer optional for accounting and financial professionals. Artificial Intelligence has moved from novelty to operational infrastructure, embedded in the applications firms use every day. Cybersecurity threats have intensified, SaaS economics have shifted, and cutting through vendor hype to identify what actually delivers value is now central to a practitioner's job.

Tech Update 2026 gives accounting professionals a clear, strategic view of the evolving technology landscape. The session compares the leading AI engines, **ChatGPT, Microsoft Copilot, Google Gemini, Anthropic's Claude, and Perplexity**, matching each to specific accounting use cases including tax research, audit workpapers, bookkeeping QA, and client communications. It also covers the rise of agentic AI (AI 3.0) and how the Model Context Protocol (MCP) is reshaping how AI agents securely connect to firm data and tools.

Hardware and infrastructure receive practical treatment: Intel Panther Lake, Qualcomm Snapdragon X2 Elite, dedicated Neural Processing Units, and the Hardware as a Service model that replaces capital outlays with predictable monthly fees. The session also examines SaaS economics in transition, including the price-increase pressures driving firms toward open-source alternatives and the implications of recent SaaS market corrections.

By emphasizing **vendor hype detection, the strategic evaluation framework, and a 24-month phased technology roadmap**, the session equips firms to govern AI confidently, align with the FTC Safeguards Rule and IRS Publication 4557, and direct technology budgets toward measurable ROI rather than the latest vendor announcement.

CPE Credits: 2, Information Technology

Discussion Leader: Atiba Lewis, Founder / ATL Workflow Automation Inc.

CAMICO's Professional Liability Update & Claims Game (1-Hour CPE)

May 27th, 2026 / 2nd Afternoon Session

Learn the latest regarding professional liability claims, cyber, and employment practices liability issues followed by CAMICO Claims Game.

CPE Credits: 1, Professional Development

Discussion Leader: Mike Ray, CPA / CAMICO President & CEO

K2's Client Accounting Services: Building a Scalable CAS Practice (4-Hours CPE)

May 28th, 2026 / Morning Session

Client Accounting Services have become a cornerstone of modern CPA firms, offering recurring revenue, deeper client relationships, and a path beyond compliance work. The cloud, AI, and automated bank feeds have fundamentally changed what CAS can deliver: real-time data with minimal manual entry, integrated workflows from invoice through payroll, and a foundation for premium advisory engagements. The firms capturing this opportunity are those that articulate, deliver, and scale a CAS practice with discipline.

This four-hour session combines the foundational mechanics of CAS with the advisory positioning that turns compliance clients into long-term retainer relationships. Participants examine **service offerings, pricing models, technology stack, and process design**, then move into the strategic conversations that build scalable practices. Coverage includes value-based, fixed fee subscription, and usage-based pricing models, the AI-enabled CAS technology landscape, and operational frameworks for client onboarding, service-level agreements, and quality assurance.

Building on this technical foundation, the course addresses the three high-value advisory conversations that grow a CAS practice: platform consolidation (helping clients audit and simplify their tool stack), AI readiness (the questions to ask before enabling any AI feature for a client), and data quality (the signs that the books cannot be trusted). Participants also work through the structured framework for scoping a CAS retainer engagement built around six recurring service components, with practical pricing guidance.

By emphasizing **governance, data security, and the transition from compliance expert to platform advisor**, the session equips participants to manage CAS practice risk through a Written Information Security Plan (WISP), navigate AICPA guidance including SSARS 27, and direct their CAS practice toward sustainable growth and defensible margins.

CPE Credits: 4, Accounting & Information Technology

Discussion Leader: Atiba Lewis, Founder / ATL Workflow Automation Inc.

Legislative & Regulatory Update & Behind the Scenes in Washington, DC (1-Hour CPE)

May 28th, 2026 / 1st Afternoon Session

Advocacy informs the public policy debate and effects legislative and regulatory changes. Through advocacy engagement, CPAs can educate policymakers about issues unique to the profession. These issues include CPA licensing issues and the taxation of services provided by CPAs and CPA firms. Attendees will gain an understanding of key issues impacting the profession and a behind the scenes look at the political landscape in Washington, D.C.

CPE Credits: 1, Professional Development

Discussion Leaders: Mark Peterson / AICPA Executive VP, Advocacy & James Cox / AICPA VP, State Advocacy & State Society Relations

Profession & Firm Insights Roundtable (1-Hour CPE)

May 28th, 2026 / 2nd Afternoon Session

This session will cover a wide range of topical areas. With a focus on firm insights and data gathering done by AICPA data analysts, hear what firms across the country are doing to address their talent and staffing challenges. Get a clearer understanding of the top issues impacting the profession today.

CPE Credits: 1, Professional Development

Discussion Leader: Stephanie Otero, CPA / AICPA Vice President – Small Firm Advocate