



**Selvi Stanislaus** was appointed Executive Officer of the California Franchise Tax Board (FTB) on January 11, 2006. As FTB's fourth executive officer and the first woman to hold the post, Selvi oversees the second-largest tax department in the nation, with more than 6,000 employees in California and its three out-of-state offices.

During her time at FTB, Selvi's achievements include increased development of a positive workplace culture that has made FTB a destination employer and the successful launch of

the Enterprise Data to Revenue (EDR) Project, a technology upgrade that modernized and improved how FTB does business. Selvi's numerous recognitions include the Public Sector Partners' Project Leadership Award in 2014, which recognized her for EDR; the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) State Technology Innovator Award in 2013, for leadership aimed at improving citizen service, information sharing, and good government; and Public Administrator of the Year in 2013 from the Sacramento Chapter of the American Society of Public Administrators, for excellence in public management over a sustained period of time.

After graduation from the Sri Lanka Law College as an attorney at law, Selvi worked in the private sector, and thereafter in the Chambers of Sri Lanka's President's Counsel. After establishing herself in Sri Lanka, Selvi and her husband chose to pursue the vast opportunities in the United States. They immigrated to California in 1986, where Selvi returned to law school, completing a J.D. degree with Honors and an LL.M. degree in tax law. After another period in the private sector, she joined the State Board of Equalization's legal staff in 1996, to pursue her passion in tax law. In April 2005, Selvi was appointed the Acting Assistant Chief Counsel of the Tax and Fee Programs Division of the Legal Department at BOE.

In her spare time, Selvi is actively involved in doing pro bono work in Northern California's large East Asian community. She is also a part-time professor at a local law school and local universities, where she teaches tax law.