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Phone Number # _____

Tax Year 2016

Chuck Sloan & ASSOCIATES

Tax Preparation for Performers and Others

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Please--NO Pets
You Love them,
We love them,
But other clients may be
allergic or frightened.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THESE PAGES ARE **COMPLETELY AND ACCURATELY**
FILLED IN **BEFORE** YOU CALL TO MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT.

- > **NEW: If you have children** and expect to receive Child Tax Credit or Earned Income Credit as a result, the IRS is requiring us to collect proof of the existence of the child. This could be school records, a copy of their Birth Certificate (for all children), a copy of their adoption papers or other records. We will need to keep a copy for our records in case the IRS visits us.
- > **We say this every year.** Compare your check stubs with your tax forms. Make sure you have received all of your forms before you come to your appointment, preferably before you schedule an appointment. In the event you are missing a form, please call the issuer and have them sent to you ASAP. SAG/AFTRA may send you the check but they don't send the tax forms. If you moved, some mail may not have been forwarded. We cannot complete the return without the actual tax form.
- > **We need you at your appointment**, but if an emergency arises, then it is easy enough to drop off or fax your information before hand. That way we haven't completely wasted an appointment time-slot and we can actually use YOUR time-slot to work on YOUR tax return.
- > Our policy is to complete your tax return in the 90 minutes allotted to you. If we have to go into overtime, it is charged at \$160 an hour. If you do not have all of your forms or numbers, and have to come back to finish the work, it will require an additional appointment and overtime will be charged at that second appointment no matter how many minutes you were here to begin with.
- > **In light of the ever increasing threat of ID theft:**
If you want to send any documents with your Personal Information on it, please copy and use Priority Mail or email it in a password protected email. You can always fax it as well. Never send original documents through the mail.
- > **NEW!** - you can get a PDF of your return **during** your tax appointment on our flash drive for \$10. If you want a PDF **after** your tax appointment, it will be \$25 whether we password protect it in an email to you, or mail it to you on a flash drive.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please fill out the information below to the best of your ability. We understand that some of the terms and questions may not be familiar to you.

Primary Name: _____ Soc. Sec. #: _____

Occupation: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Blind: Y N

Spouse Name: _____ Soc. Sec. #: _____

Occupation: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Blind: Y N

Address: _____ Different from W-2(s)?: Y N

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

MARITAL STATUS:

(Please Circle) Single Married Separated Widow

If Filing Married / Separate: Does Spouse Itemize? Y N Date: _____

If Yes, Spouse's Social Security Number?: _____

Dependent Information:

In the first column below, enter a **Dependent Code** for each dependent listed:

L - Child who lived with you N - Child who did not live with you due to divorce or separation O - Other dependent

Code	Full Name	Social Security Number	Relationship	Date of Birth	# of Months lived in Home

CHILD CARE EXPENSES

Name of Care Giver **Address** **Phone** **Federal ID Number** **Amount Paid**

ELECTRONIC FILING INFORMATION: We are required to file all current tax returns electronically. This gives you the option to quickly and safely receive your refunds direct deposited into your bank account. We suggest you bring your check book to confirm this information.

NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION: _____

ROUTING TRANSIT #: _____ **ACCOUNT #:** _____

ACCOUNT TYPE: Checking Savings

OWNERSHIP: Self Spouse Self & Spouse

HEALTH INSURANCE

Question 1) Did you have health insurance in 2016 for yourself AND your dependents for the entire year?

YES NO

If you didn't have qualifying insurance during all of last year you may be subject to additional penalties but the total amount cannot be determined until your tax return has been completed. There are exemptions you may qualify for to eliminate these penalties but you will have to visit <https://www.healthcare.gov/> for a greater explanation of these.

Question 2) If yes, did you buy your health insurance through:

- Covered California or Healthcare.gov (or any other state "marketplace")? (Expect Form 1095-A)
- A Private Insurance broker? (Expect Form 1095-B)
- An Employer Sponsored health insurance plan (i.e. SAG/AFTRA) (Expect Form 1095-C)

You will be receiving one of the three new tax forms: 1095-A, 1095-B or a 1095-C to verify your insurance coverage. You must bring this form to your tax appointment. We can't finish your return without it.

If you did not have health coverage for the whole year you may be subject to additional taxes, but it cannot be determined in total until the return has been completed.

Did you make any ESTIMATED Tax Payments for 2015?

(If you are wondering what this means, you didn't make any.)

	Federal	State	Local
Quarter 1- By 4/15/16			
Quarter 2- By 6/15/16			
Quarter 3- By 9/15/16			
Quarter 4- By 1/16/17			
State Taxes for Previous Years			
TOTALS			

Some taxpayers apply some or all of their previous year's refunds to this year's taxes. If so please let us know. (If you were with us last year our computer will place that information into this year's records automatically.)

WARNING: Are you a SIGNATORY on ANY Accounts Outside of the U.S.?

At any time during the previous year did you have a financial interest in or signature authority over at least one financial account located outside of the United States; and the aggregate value of all foreign financial accounts exceeded \$10,000 at any time during the calendar year reported? Then you will need to be able to fillout the FBAR paperwork available at <http://bsaefiling.fincen.treas.gov/main.html>. We will NOT be responsible for filing this form.

DID YOU EARN ANY FOREIGN INCOME?

DID YOU PAY FOREIGN TAX ON IT?

If yes, then make certain you bring in a record of when, where and how much.

IF YOU ARE MARRIED FILING JOINT, COMBINE YOUR EXPENSES ON THIS PAGE

EDUCATOR/TEACHER EXPENSES \$ _____ (Full time teachers only)
RETIREMENT PLAN CONTRIBUTIONS: SEP/SIMPLE/TRADITIONAL IRA \$ _____ ROTH IRA \$ _____
ALIMONY PAID: Ex-Spouse's Soc. Sec. # : _____ \$ _____
MOVING EXPENSES: Allowable ONLY if you moved at least 50 Miles CLOSER to work. Date of Move: _____ Moved FROM _____ To: _____ Distance _____ <i>Miles</i> Transportation of Belongings \$ _____ Storage \$ _____ Travel \$ _____ Lodging \$ _____
STUDENT LOAN INTEREST? Y / N (if YES you must bring 1098-E) TUITION? Y / N (if YES you mustbring 1098-T)
HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT? How much did you contribute: \$ _____

SELF PAID HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS (including Long Term Care and Medicare)	
MEDICAL Expenses (Other than HealthCare Insurance) NOT reimbursed by insurance. Examples: Medical, Dental, Eye Glasses (including exams), Therapists, Prescriptions, Ambulance, Parking. MUST be Medically Necessary.	
SALES TAX on any Major Purchases (i.e. Over \$1,000.00)	
REAL ESTATE TAXES	
HOME MORTGAGE INTEREST	
PRIVATE MORTGAGE INSURANCE	
DMV REGISTRATION: <i>NOT including Parking tickets -- See your Vehicle Registration Renewal Notice</i>	
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS: BY CASH, CHECK or CREDIT (Bring Documentation to validate)	
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS: GOODS (i.e. Clothing Furniture, Toys, etc.) If Amount exceeds \$500 List Charity(s) bring Documentation to validate contributions	
TAX PREPARATION FEES (What did you pay for tax preparation services LAST YEAR?)	
INVESTMENT EXPENSES & CERTAIN LEGAL FEES for Business Purposes	
MISC DEDUCTIONS i.e. Gambling losses, only to the extent of gambling winnings	

DESCRIPTION		Your Expenses	Spouses Expenses	Leave Empty
C-8	ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY (Headshots, Business cards, Postcards, Ads, Website Costs, Costs to produce / duplicate audition Tape/Reel, Voice Over, etc)			
	GIFTS FOR BUSINESS (Individual Gift amounts are still limited to \$25 Per Person Per Year)			
C-10	AGENTS' COMMISSION & MANAGERS' FEES			
	CASTING REGISTRIES (i.e. IMDB, Actor's Access, etc.) and/or THEATER CO.DUES			
C-18	OFFICE SUPPLIES / INK CARTRIDGES / PAPER / POSTAGE			
C-20B	STUDIO RENTAL / RENT OF BUSINESS PROPERTY			
C-21	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT			
	MAINTENANCE OF PROFESSIONAL COSTUMES (NOT General Street Wear)			
C-22	PURCHASE OF PROFESSIONAL COSTUMES (Doctor, Nurse, Police, Clown, etc., Not General Street Wear or Evening Wear)			
	MAKE-UP, HAIR CARE & NAILS –Tied to Work ONLY, NOT GENERAL STREET USE Professional Performance Supplies, Photo Sessions, Specific Job Requirements--i.e., Hand Model, There is No "Maintenance Expense" or Everyday Usage deduction Allowed			
	SUPPLIES FOR RESEARCH (Props, Sheet Music, Books, Tapes, Scripts, etc.)			
C-25	CALLING SERVICE (for Background Actors) / ANSWERING SERVICE			
C-27	COACHING LESSONS (Acting Classes, Dance Classes, Casting Director Workshops, etc.)			
	TRADE PUBLICATIONS (Backstage, Hollywood Reporter, Variety, etc.)			
	AUDITION EXPENSE & ACCOMPANIST (Audition costs, Sides, etc.)			
NOC	UNION DUES & INITIATION FEES (Include 2% AEA Dues)			
	PASSPORT FEES			
	Please SUB Total Above <i>(Even if you aren't sure of your entries)</i>			
	DO YOU HAVE A HOME TELEPHONE? Y/N Total of Business Calls Only, Call Waiting			
	FAX LINE or Second HOME Line — If Installed / Used for Business Purposes – ALL costs			
	CELL PHONE – Please list your ENTIRE Expense			
	INTERNET / DSL Costs / AOL – Please list your ENTIRE Expense			
	CABLE, SATELLITE, TIVO -- Again, For EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY MUST be Documented- (See FAQs)			
	RESEARCH / VIEWING Expenses/Tickets— For EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY MUST be Documented- (See FAQs) Theater, Movies, NETFlix, Redbox, Hulu, Amazon Prime			

INDEPENDENT or SELF-EMPLOYED BUSINESS AND NON-ACTING RELATED EXPENSES

If you are not a performer or you have any sideline businesses then you should use this form to list your expenses. If this income is non-employee income (untaxed and not reported to you on a W-2) then you are considered in business for yourself and must report this income whether you receive a 1099-MISC or not. You should keep expenses separate for each different business.

Schedule C	Business 1	Business 2	Business 3
INCOME NOT reported on a 1099 or W-2			
8 Advertising			
9 Car & Truck Expenses (Gas, Insurance, Repairs)			
<i>TOTAL Miles</i>			
<i>BUSINESS Miles for THIS Occupation</i>			
10 Commissions & Fees			
11 Contract Labor			
13 Equipment for Depreciation (Fill out Page 7)			
15 Insurance			
17 Legal & Professional Services			
18 Office Expenses			
20a Equipment Lease			
20b Property Rent or Lease			
21 Repairs & Maintenance			
22 Supplies			
23 Tax & Licenses			
23 Travel (Overnight)			
24a Meals & Entertainment			
25 Utilities			
26 Wages Paid			
27 Landline/Fax Line			
27 Cell Phone			
27 Internet			
OTHER			
OTHER			
OTHER			
OTHER			

EQUIPMENT EXPENSE (LARGER PURCHASES ONLY, i.e. TV's, CAMERAS, COMPUTERS, ETC.)

In general, **please don't list anything which costs less than \$200** as these expenses should be included under "Supplies" on page 5 or Page 6; **JUST LIST MAJOR EQUIPMENT YOU PURCHASED AND USED FOR BUSINESS.** The IRS also expects you to determine what **Percentage of Use** of that equipment you employ **Specifically** for business. This would be true for any equipment purchased that have applications in your life outside your performing profession, i.e. Camcorders, Televisions, etc.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE DATE	COST	TIMES	% BUSINESS USE	NET WRITE OFF
			X		=
			X		=
			X		=
			X		=
			X		=
			X		=

If there are any expenses of which you are not sure which category to place them in, please notate them below so we can discuss them during the preparation.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	DATE OF PURCHASE	AMOUNT

OFFICE IN THE HOME

Do you have a space in your home that you do NOT use for anything other than business, i.e. Administration, billing, seeing clients, or storing business materials)?

TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE OF YOUR RESIDENCE	
TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE OFFICE SPACE	
TOTAL RENT PAID FOR THE YEAR	
TOTAL OF ALL UTILITIES FOR THE YEAR	
OTHER EXPENSES SPECIFIC TO THE OFFICE	

CAR EXPENSES**ALL FIELDS MUST BE FILLED IN**

YEAR, MAKE, MODEL	CAR 1	CAR 2
DATE VEHICLE PLACED IN SERVICE (i.e. Started acting 2 yrs ago on June 15th then the entry would be 6-15-14)		
ODOMETER READINGS AS OF JAN. 1ST: _____ CURRENT: _____		
TOTAL MILES DRIVEN IN 2016 (Jan 1- Dec 31, 2016)		
BUSINESS MILES (Interviews, Agents, Job Search, When you are NOT getting PAID)		
COMMUTING MILES (Miles Driving to Work and Back when you ARE getting paid). Please have the daily round-trip mileage to your "regular" job available.		
TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES (Uber, Lyft, Cab, Trains, Bus Fare) That did not involve overnight or commuting to and from work)	\$	\$
MILES FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES (To and from Doctor, Treatments, etc.)		
MILES FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES (To and From Volunteer Work)		
PARKING FEES for pursuit of business (DO NOT include parking for regular jobs)	\$	\$

YOU ARE ALLOWED TO WRITE OFF THE BUSINESS USE OF YOUR CAR, i.e. Business Miles above. Any miles you drive in pursuit of your career or business are considered BUSINESS MILES. If you are an actor these would include Auditions, Classes, Rehearsals, Agent/Manager meetings, Shooting Headshots, Office Supplies, Post Office, etc. If the item or activity is deductible, then the mileage you drive for that activity is deductible.

Anyone who has ever been AUDITED is a big believer in documenting their business mileage. You can use a phone app, or write it down in a logbook format. You can buy a mileage log at any office supply store or ask Jordana in our office for her version of a mileage log. You should always back up your phone app or log your entries in a permanent manner. The IRS loves layers of proof.

We will also need an idea of what you may consider your Commuting Miles. These are normally the miles you drive to work and back, generally for your every day job. If you don't have a "day" job, then let us know and we will work that out with you. Whatever mileage you have remaining is personal mileage and remember—everyone has personal miles they drive in their car.

Please Fill In Below Information if you Bought or Leased your Auto in the Last Five Years

ACTUAL VEHICLE EXPENSES	CAR 1	CAR 2
GASOLINE, OIL, REPAIRS, INSURANCE, ETC.		
RENTAL CARS/TRUCKS		
PRICE OF CAR (If purchased / leased within last five years)		
DATE OF PURCHASE / LEASE		
LEASE AGREEMENT PAYMENTS (NOT Auto Purchase payments)		
INITIAL PAYMENT PUT DOWN ON LEASE _____ Year Leased _____		

Did you buy/lease a NEW car last year? Please bring in the sales agreement.

OUT of Town INTERVIEW & JOB Expenses

Trip #	Employer & Purpose	Dates (Date Left & Returned)	# of Days for Business	Destination
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				

**Place Total
Travel Expenses
Here**

(Do NOT include Meals)

\$

**Total Travel
MEAL Expenses
Here**

\$

Please Transfer this
amount to line on Page 10

Expenses	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3	Trip 4	Trip 5	Trip 6	Trip 7	Trip 8
Travel Fares Air, Train, Bus								
Lodging Expense Hotels, Motels, Tents								
Local Transportation								
Cabs, Bus, Limos, etc								
AUTO RENTAL plus Gasoline / Repairs								
Telephone								
Parking								
Laundry & Tips								
TOTAL EXPENSES								
MEALS								
Actual Expenses								
Standard Allowance (See Page 10)								
Amount of per diem received								

ENTERTAINMENT FOR BUSINESS

(IN Town Events, Business Lunches / Dinners, etc.)

KEEP YOUR RECEIPTS!!! Write the other person's name, and the purpose ON THE RECEIPT!!!
 KEEP A RECORD OF THESE EVENTS IN YOUR CALENDAR.
 Your Credit Card Statement is only a BACK UP to the actual RECEIPTS AND CALENDAR!!!
 A Credit Card statement alone will be DENIED in an AUDIT.

Although we do not expect you to write the information down for EVERY entertainment event you are deducting here, you must be able to offer the following information to substantiate your expenses. This information should be kept in your expenses log or calendar, accompanied by the proper records or receipts with the information WRITTEN ON THE RECEIPT. YOU MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EVERY EVENT.

If there is insufficient room on this form – just put the total in the appropriate box.

NAME (Person Entertained)	DATE	BUSINESS PURPOSE	LOCATION	AMOUNT
			TOTAL AMOUNT	
ADD: OUT OF TOWN MEAL EXPENSES (From Page 9)				
TOTAL MEAL EXPENSES				

Per Diem / Travel Meals / Business Meetings:

For **IN TOWN** expenses you must be able to prove your expenses listed above (with your receipts) and be able to provide the information we have indicated above.

For Travel or **OUT OF TOWN** meal costs, the IRS Standard Meal Allowance for 2015 throughout the country varies from \$51 per day in smaller cities to as much as \$74 per day in major cities. These allowances are for ALL meals and tips per day. If you believe that your ACTUAL expenses exceed this amount, then you should be prepared to prove it in an audit with your travel records and receipts.

We have the IRS standard meal allowances in our office but If you are audited, you'll have to prove where you traveled and how many days you spent there (include travel days in your total) to validate the expense.

For any Travel Expense greater than \$75, you MUST have a receipt (expenses less than \$75 can be hand written in your book), but you must ALWAYS have a receipt for any amount of Lodging Expense.

The Policy of California Tax Education Council (CTEC)

This is being presented so that you are aware of the Tax Preparer Code of Conduct and Responsibilities established by the California Tax Education Council.

Background: In 1996 the California Legislature passed the Tax Preparers Act, Business and Professions Code 22250-22259, which regulates tax preparers. Those sections of the statute pertaining to tax preparer ethics, professional conduct, conduct regarding bonding and penalties for breaking the law are listed below.

A tax preparer is defined as “a person who, for a fee, assists with or prepares tax returns for another person or who assumes final responsibility for completed work on a return on which preliminary work has been done by another person, or who holds himself or herself out as offering those services.”

A tax return is defined as “a return, declaration, statement, refund claim, or other document required to be made or filed in connection with state or federal income taxes or state bank and corporation franchise taxes.”

When a person prepares a tax return, for a fee, without the appropriate lawful designation, he or she could be cited and fined up to \$5,000 for each illegally prepared tax return. According to California Business and Professions Code 22253.2, the Franchise Tax Board may notify the California Tax Education Council when it identifies an individual who has violated the law. The Franchise Tax Board pursuant to an agreement with the California Tax Education Council, may do any of the following: (1) Cite individuals preparing tax returns in violation of subdivision (a) Section 22253. (2) Levy a fine of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation. (3) Issue a cease and desist order, which shall remain in effect until the individual has come into compliance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 22253.

CTEC Registered Tax Preparers (CRTPs):

- Must register as a tax preparer with the California Tax Education Council (CTEC).
- Must maintain a \$5,000 Tax Preparer Bond issued by a surety company admitted to do business in California. A tax preparer shall provide to the surety company proof that he or she is at least 18 years of age before a bond can be issued.
- Must not conduct business without having a current surety bond in effect.
- Must furnish evidence of a current bond upon the request of any state or federal agency or law enforcement agency.
- **Must, prior to rendering any tax preparation services, provide the customer, in writing, with the tax preparer's name, address, telephone number, and evidence of compliance with the bonding requirement. (As noted opposite.)**

Our Address and Phone number is:

14120 Magnolia Blvd., Sherman Oaks CA 91423 818 769-2291

The registered CTEC number indicates we are in compliance with the regulations. Feel free to go on line and check us out at www.ctec.org.

PREPARER NAME BOND WITH CTEC NUMBER

Chuck Sloan	Financial Pacific	Enrolled Agent
Tricia Lee Pascoe	Financial Pacific	Enrolled Agent
Joe Howard	Financial Pacific	CTEC #: A036114
Lamont Dixon	HCC Surety Group	CTEC #: A142498
Marta Sullivan	Western Surety	C.P.A.
Stephanie Griffin	Financial Pacific	Enrolled Agent
Ronnie Steadman	Western Surety	Enrolled Agent
Michael Campbell	South Coast Surety	CTEC #: A144437
Jordana Capra	Merchants Bonding Co.	CTEC #: A237088
Lindsay Thompson	Merchants Bonding Co.	Enrolled Agent
Brice Williams	Merchants Bonding Co.	CTEC #: A258129
Daphne McVay	Merchants Bonding Co.	CTEC #: A276143
Ryan Shaughnessy	Merchants Bonding Co.	CTEC #: A289681
Dominic Comperatore	Western Surety	CTEC #: A149390

Registered: Registered status indicates the individual has completed the annual registration requirements by completing the required education and maintaining a \$5,000 tax preparer bond. Registered individuals are compliant with the California Business & Professions Code, Section 22250-22259, and are able to prepare taxes for a fee in California.

- Must not violate provisions of Sections 17530.5 or 7216 of Title 26 of the United States Code prohibiting tax preparers from disclosing any information obtained in the business of preparing federal or state income tax returns unless (1) consented to, in writing, by the taxpayer in a separate document; (2) expressly authorized by law; (3) necessary for the preparation of the return; and, (4) pursuant to court order.
- Must not fail to sign a customer's tax return when payment for services rendered has been made.
- Must not fail to return, upon the demand by or on behalf of a customer, records or other data provided to the tax preparer by the customer.
- Must complete, on an annual basis, not less than 20 hours of continuing education from an approved curriculum provider (10 hours federal tax law, 2 hours ethics, 3 hours federal tax update and 5 hours California).

Pre-Appointment Check List:

Items you will need to complete your Taxes — To be kept with your copy of this year’s tax returns.

BRING ALL OF THE ITEMS if applicable.

	YES	NO
Last Year’s Tax Return (NOT required if we did your 2015 taxes)		
2016 W-2 Forms		
1099-MISC for NON employee work		
Total of ALL CASH Income (includes Checks, Credit, Paypal) *		
1099-INT Statements of Interest Income		
1095-A (or B) for HealthCare Payments		
1099-DIV Statements of Dividends & Distributions		
1099-B Sale of Stocks/Bonds (And value information) **		
1099-G for State Tax Refund		
1099-G for Unemployment Income		
1099-K Receipts from Credit Card Transactions		
1099-R IRA Distribution		
1099-R Pension Distribution		
K-1s from Ownership in Partnerships or Corporations		
SSA 1099 Social Security Tax Benefits		
W-2G Gambling Winnings		
Other Income: Gambling, prize winnings, jury duty		
Alimony INCOME		
Interest Payments and Taxes Paid on Home		
IRA / Health Savings Account Contribution Information		
1098-E Student Loan Interest		
Child Care Expense Information ***		
Education Expenses		
1098 Mortgage Interest		
DMV REGISTRATION RENEWAL NOTICE (Bill for car registration)		
Closing Statements if you Bought or Sold property		

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- * **CASH income** means any NON-W-2 or 1099 income you received for work, i.e. Print Work, Equity Waiver or income from other NON Acting business.
 - ** If you **SOLD STOCK** you must be sure you also have the **Original DATE of PURCHASE** and the **AMOUNT you originally paid.**
 - *** **If you have Child Care Expenses** make sure you have the address, phone number and Federal I.D. number of provider.

WARNING: Because performers are usually employed by more than one company throughout the year, make certain that you have compared your check stubs against the W-2’s and 1099’s mailed to you and have ALL the Tax forms you should be receiving BEFORE making an appointment.

- If you have moved, changed a mailing address or have had W-2's going to your agent, you should call the employer to confirm you will receive them at the correct address. Be sure all of your employees have the new address--*Not just the Union(s)*. Amending your return costs you time and money!
- The amounts on the W-2s and 1099s can be wrong -- ALWAYS check against your pay stubs to be sure!

Even though companies are supposed to have all of your W-2s and 1099s mailed by January 31st, they don't always comply and it isn't their job to make sure you receive them at the correct address. However, you can bet that the IRS WILL receive their copy, and if you don't report that income the IRS will be sure to find you and let you know.

Stephanie Griffin

Michael Campbell

Jordana Capra

Lamont Dixon

Chuck Sloan

Joe Howard

Daphne McVay

Tricia Lee Pascoe

Ryan Shaughnessy

Ronnie Steadman

Marta Sullivan

Lindsay Thompson

Brice Williams

ENGAGEMENT OF SERVICES AGREEMENT

Client Name (s) _____ Date _____

This letter is to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services we will provide.

We will prepare your Federal Income tax return and income tax returns for the states of _____, with supporting schedules, and perform related research as considered necessary (herein after known collectively as the “returns”).

This engagement pertains only to the tax year _____, and our responsibilities do not include preparation of any other tax returns that may be due to any taxing authority. A similar letter/contract will be issued and signed for any other tax years wherein you choose to engage this firm. Our engagement will be complete upon the delivery of the completed returns to you. Thereafter, unless the process of electronic filing is appropriate, you will be solely responsible to file the returns with the appropriate taxing authorities.

We will furnish you with our tax packet to guide you in gathering and understanding the necessary information required for your tax preparation. Your thorough completion and use of these forms provide for the most accurate return and assist us in keeping our fees to a minimum.

It is your responsibility to provide all the information required for the preparation of complete and accurate returns. We will not audit or otherwise verify the data you submit. Accordingly, our engagement cannot be relied upon to disclose errors, fraud or other illegal acts that may exist in the information you have provided.

In addition to the information you have placed in the packet, or other papers you may provide, you further acknowledge that to the best of your knowledge and belief during the interview/preparation process you have provided accurate, complete and full disclosure in your answers to any and all questions regarding income, expenses, deductions and exemptions in an effort to ensure that your return is prepared accurately.

To the extent we render any accounting and/or bookkeeping assistance, it will be limited to those tasks we deem necessary for the preparation of the returns and may lead to additional costs. Therefore, your commitment is essential to our ability to complete this engagement. Specifically, we must receive comprehensive information from which to prepare your returns within a reasonable period of time.

If, during our work, we discover information that affects your prior-year tax returns, we will make you aware of the facts. However, we cannot be responsible for identifying all items that may affect prior-year returns. If you become aware of such information during the year, please contact us to discuss the best resolution of the issue.

It is always possible your returns may be selected for review (audit) by one or more taxing authorities. Any proposed adjustments by the examining agent are subject to certain rights of appeal. In the event of such tax examination(s), we will be available upon your written request to represent you during the examination and/or during any appeal for an additional fee.

You should retain all the documents, receipts, records, canceled checks and other data that form the basis of income and deductions. These may be necessary to prove the accuracy and completeness of the returns to a taxing authority. You have the final responsibility for the income tax returns and, therefore, you should review them carefully before you sign them.

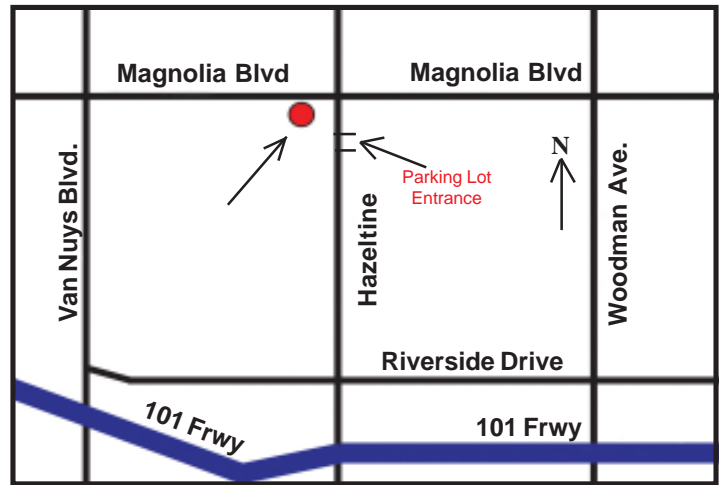
Taxpayer Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Spouse Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

14120 Magnolia Blvd. Sherman Oaks 91423

**Just West of Hazeltine (Between Woodman and Van Nuys)
on South Side of Street**

Two Doors West of AFTRA-SAG Credit Union Sherman Oaks Branch



Directions from Hollywood:

Take 101 Frwy. North to Woodman Ave. Turn Right going North. At Magnolia turn Left and go past Hazeltine to 14120 Magnolia Blvd.

Through Canyons:

Follow Laurel Canyon or Coldwater Canyon NORTH (through hills) to Magnolia Blvd. Turn Left and go past Hazeltine to 14120 Magnolia Blvd.

Directions from Glendale/Pasadena:

Take 134 West to 101 North. Continue North to Woodman Ave. Turn Right going North. At Magnolia turn Left and go past Hazeltine to 14120 Magnolia Blvd.

Directions from Santa Monica/West LA:

Take 405 North to the 101 South and exit on Van Nuys Blvd. Turn Left at the off-ramp and go North to Magnolia Blvd. Turn Right to 14120 Magnolia Blvd.

Free Street Parking and in the lot BEHIND our building--

Entrance to Parking Lot OFF Hazeltine, South of Magnolia
(WARNING: Do NOT park in the Dentist's office next door)