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DSCR Business Purpose Application

This DSCR Business Purpose Application is for unlicensed individuals or unlicensed LLCs that are 100% owned by you as an individual only.

Please complete, execute, and return this Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR) Application Package for approval to submit Residential DSCR Business Purpose loans to RISE TPO. Processing and approval of the DSCR Business Purpose Application Package is required before DSCR loans can be submitted to RISE TPO. This Application is solely for DSCR Business Purpose Applications and may not be used for the delivery of any other loan type to RISE TPO. Please deliver the completed packet to your RISE TPO Account Executive (AE) or email to brokersupport@RISETPO.com.

CHECKLIST FOR DSCR BUSINESS PURPOSE LOANS

Please Applic		ovide the items listed below, completed in full and signed where indicated, so we may process your n.
	1.	DSCR Business Purpose Application
	2.	DSCR Business Purpose Agreement
	3.	Loan Fraud Zero Tolerance Disclosure
	4.	Executed Authorization to Investigate Background
	5.	If this application is for an LLC, include a copy of your LLC Operating Agreement that reflects ownership percentages
	6.	Completed and signed IRS Form W-9; EIN only allowed if this is an LLC
	7.	Personal Resume
Agree	men	NT NOTE: Alterations, modifications, or amendments to the DSCR Business Purpose Application and t will not be accepted. <i>Please contact your RISE TPO Account Executive if you have comments or about this Application and Agreement. Thank you.</i>
You	r RI	SE TPO Account Executive:
AE N	lam	e:



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		A. PRINCIPAL II	NFORMATION			
Name:						
Address:						
City:				Zip:		
Main Phone:			Email:			
		B. BUSINES	S PROFILE			
I	ndividual	☐ Sole Prop	orietorship	L	LC	
LLC Name (if	applicable): _					
State of Inco	rporation:		Date Incorporated	:		
Owner's Full	_			% of Owr	-	
Other Owner	's Full Name: _			% of Owr	nership _	
	C. QUESTIC	ONNAIRE (Include Ex	planation for any `	Yes Answer)		
		involved in any crimin			☐ Yes	☐ No
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2. Have you or	your LLC been	named as a defendan	t in a lawsuit in the	past 7 years?	∐ Yes	∐ No
3 Have you or	vour LLC ever l	been convicted of a cri	me?		☐ Yes	□No
		d for protection from			☐ Yes	☐ No
bankruptcy I	aws within the p	east 7 years?				
5 Have you or	vour II C had a	a real estate or other p	rofossional license	cusponded or	□ Voc	
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\square IN	☐ KS	☐ KY	☐ LA	\square MA	\square MD	\square ME	□МО	\square MS	\square MT
☐ NC	☐ NE	□NH	\square NM	□ОН	☐ OK	☐ PA	☐ RI	☐ SC	☐ TN
☐ TX	□WA	□WI	\square WV	□WY					
		E.	AUTHOR	IZATION 8	& ACKNO	WLEDGM	ENT		
In addition verify information to submit through a Mortgage	By signing below, I hereby certify that the information provided herein is complete, true, and correct. In addition, I give OCMBC, Inc., dba RISE TPO, a California corporation authorization to obtain and/or verify information including a credit report for myself and/or my company. RISE TPO is also authorized to submit myself and/or my Company's name and the name of each Company employee for screening through any/all background check database, including but not limited to MIDEX (database operated by Mortgage Asset Research Institute ("MARI"). Principal/Owner:					tain and/or authorized screening			
Date of	Birth:				;	SSN or El	N:		
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1.0 PARTIES

This DSCR Business Purpose Agreement (hereinafter referred to as ("Agreement"), is entered into in Irvine, California on this ____ day of _____ 20__, with OCMBC, Inc. dba RISE TPO, a California Corporation with its principal offices located at 19000 MacArthur Blvd., Suite 200, Irvine, California, 92612 (hereinafter referred to as "RISE TPO"), and _____, (hereinafter referred to as "Broker") with its principal place of business located at (enter primary office address). RISE TPO and Broker are also referred to herein individually as "Partv" and collectively as "Parties."

2.0 SUBJECT MATTER OF AGREEMENT

RISE TPO is a mortgage banker engaged in the business of, among other things, receiving DSCR loan application packages from mortgage or commercial brokers for funding consideration. The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the Parties' rights and obligations with respect to such DSCR Business Purpose loan application packages as Broker may from time to time submit to RISE TPO for funding consideration.

3.0 INTEGRATED AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including any and all other materials, which are incorporated into this Agreement by reference as set forth below sets forth the entire understanding between the Parties, whether written or oral, with regard to said subject matter. Except as expressly provided otherwise elsewhere in this agreement, no amendments, supplements, addenda, or waivers of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be valid or have any force or effect whatsoever unless set forth in writing and signed by an authorized representative of each of the Parties to this Agreement.

4.0 NON-EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT

Nothing contained herein shall obligate Broker to submit all the DSCR Business Purpose loan application packages it creates or generates to RISE TPO nor shall RISE TPO be obligated to approve and/or fund any DSCR Business Purpose loan application package submitted by Broker, it being expressly understood by and between the Parties that this is a nonexclusive Agreement.

5.0 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP

Nothing contained herein shall constitute a partnership or joint venture between or among RISE TPO and Broker. The Parties hereby expressly agree and acknowledge that they are, at all times, operating as independent contractors. Broker shall at no time and under no circumstance represent itself as part of RISE TPO or enter into any contract or agreement with any third party by or on behalf of RISE TPO.

6.0 GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of California.

7.0 BROKER AGREEMENTS, REPRESENTATIONS, AND COVENANTS

In consideration for the Agreement of RISE TPO to receive from Broker and consider for funding such DSCR Business Purpose loan application packages as Broker may from time to time submit to RISE TPO, Broker hereby agrees, represents, and covenants, as the case may be, as follows:

7.1 Each such DSCR Business Purpose loan application package that Broker submits to RISE TPO on behalf of the potential borrower(s) for whom Broker is working shall be completed and submitted to RISE TPO at the sole and exclusive expense of Broker and/or the potential borrower(s) on whose behalf Broker is working.



- 7.2 Each such submission of a DSCR Business Purpose loan application package to RISE TPO by Broker shall be made under such programs, procedures, and fee schedules as RISE TPO may from time to time establish, in its sole and exclusive discretion. Broker's general responsibilities are: 1) Submit completed loan packages for prospective borrowers under such programs, procedures and fee schedules as RISE TPO may periodically establish; 2) Furnish RISE TPO with all of the prospective borrowers' credit, financial and other information as RISE TPO may require; 3) Provide such information as RISE TPO may reasonably request; and 4) Perform other services as RISE TPO shall require, in order to fund transactions pertaining to individual DSCR Business Purpose loans.
- 7.3 At the time of submission of each such DSCR Business Purpose loan application package, Broker shall have properly prepared, and shall then furnish to RISE TPO in the form required, such items or documents as RISE TPO may require, and shall thereafter provide any additional documentation requested by RISE TPO including without limitation such information and/or documentation as RISE TPO may require in order to comply with such laws and/or regulations as may be applicable to RISE TPO and/or the business purpose loan application package and/or RISE TPO's consideration thereof for funding.
- 7.4 Broker shall furnish RISE TPO with such information and/or documentation as may be required, and shall provide RISE TPO with such information and/or documentation as RISE TPO may request, which RISE TPO may, in its sole and exclusive discretion, determine that it requires in order for it to ensure to its satisfaction that each such business purpose loan application package Broker has submitted to RISE TPO will, if the loan applied for is funded, result in a loan that will be saleable by RISE TPO in the secondary market for such loans.
- 7.5 The contents of each such DSCR Business Purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO shall become the property of RISE TPO immediately upon submission, and all information contained therein is but is not required by this Agreement to be, subject to independent verification by RISE TPO.
- 7.6 Broker has not made any false, misleading, or incomplete statements or omissions to RISE TPO in connection with Broker's DSCR Business Purpose Application for approval by RISE TPO or with respect to each such business purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO under the terms of this Agreement, or omitted to state a fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the information and statements made therein not misleading.
- 7.7 Broker neither has nor is aware of any adverse information and/or documentation concerning any potential borrower(s) on whose behalf it submits a DSCR Business Purpose loan application package to RISE TPO which it has not communicated to RISE TPO, and all documents and instruments prepared or submitted by Broker, either with the business purpose loan application package as originally submitted or as it may have been supplemented by Broker, either in response to RISE TPO's request(s), if any, for additional information and/or documentation, or otherwise, are valid and genuine in every respect.
- 7.8 No appraisal or title company, controlling, controlled by, or under common control with Broker shall be used in connection with the origination or closing of any loan resulting from a business purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO under the terms and provisions of this Agreement.
- 7.9 Broker will make such investigations and inquiries as are necessary to verify the truthfulness and completeness of all information provided in each DSCR Business Purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO, including without limitation, information relating to the creditworthiness of the potential borrower(s) and the value of the real property securing the loan being applied for by the potential borrower(s), and with



regard to each such DSCR Business Purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO hereunder, and all information contained therein, all such information is true, accurate and complete as of the date the loan application package is submitted to RISE TPO for funding consideration and on the date the loan closes and funds, and Broker has not omitted any material information either from the DSCR Business Purpose loan application package as originally submitted or as it may have been supplemented by Broker, either in response(s) to RISE TPO request(s), if any, for additional information and/or documentation, or otherwise.

- 7.10 If at any time during the period between the original submission of a DSCR Business Purpose loan application package and the closing and funding of the loan applied for, Broker learns or has reason to believe that any of the information or documentation submitted by Broker either with the DSCR Business Purpose loan application package as originally submitted or as it may have been supplemented by Broker, either in response(s) to RISE TPO request(s), if any, for additional information and/or documentation, or otherwise, or if any of Broker's representations and/or warranties with regard thereto, either when submitted or made, or thereafter became not true, not valid and/or not genuine, Broker shall immediately give written notice thereof to RISE TPO.
- 7.11 Broker has fully disclosed to RISE TPO in writing and agrees to fully disclose to RISE TPO in writing on an ongoing basis throughout the term of this Agreement, the existence of any and all past or present claims actions, lawsuits, legal or administrative proceedings, arbitrations, and dispute resolution proceedings of any kind or nature regardless of whether they are or were civil, criminal, quasi-criminal, administrative, or otherwise, as well as all unfiled claims, including without limitation repurchase requests or indemnification or "make whole" claims, by any licensing or law enforcement authority or by any other lenders against Broker or any of Broker's salespersons, employees, partners, associates, shareholders, or members, whether presently or formerly associated with Broker.
- 7.12 All salespersons and employees of Broker, and all persons associated with Broker who will provide services in conjunction with the submission of each DSCR Business Purpose loan application package submitted to RISE TPO under the terms of this Agreement have, in so doing, acted in compliance with the requirements applicable to Broker under this section of the Agreement with regard to each such submission of a DSCR Business Purpose loan application package to RISE TPO and Broker shall bear full responsibility for any instance of noncompliance with the terms of this section of the Agreement by any such person.
- 7.13 If required by the domicile state, Broker is now and at all times during this Agreement shall remain duly licensed under the laws of the state(s) in which Broker does business, in possession of all necessary licenses, endorsements, permits, and/or certifications to originate and broker DSCR Business Purpose loans secured by deeds of trust or mortgages encumbering dwellings or other real property in such state(s), and has the legal authority to engage in the activities contemplated by this Agreement, and all persons employed by or associated with Broker to carry on the business contemplated under this Agreement shall at all times hereunder either be able to validly do so or shall have their own valid and duly issued license(s), endorsements, permits and certifications to do so, where required by the state.
- 7.14 If Broker is other than a sole proprietorship, Broker is and throughout the term of this Agreement will remain duly organized and existing as a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or other form of business organization in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which Broker has formed and organized and Broker has and will



continue to have the requisite power and authority to enter into and perform the terms of this Agreement.

- 7.15 Where applicable, Broker shall at all times during the term of this Agreement comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and rules regarding the processing and origination of DSCR Business Purpose mortgage loans, including but not limited to: the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B; Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and Regulation X; Truth-in-Lending Act and Regulation Z; Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act; Fair Housing Act; Fair Credit Reporting Act; Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act; Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act; California Civil Code; California Housing Financial Discrimination Act; Flood Disaster Protection Act; Patriot Act; Appraiser Independence Rules (and pertinent sections of Regulation Z regarding appraiser independence).
- **7.16** No obligation of Broker under the terms of this Agreement may be assigned or delegated by Broker to any third party without the express written consent of RISE TPO.

8.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

The term of this Agreement shall be indefinite and shall commence with the effective date as provided in Section 19.0 of this Agreement. RISE TPO reserves the right to terminate this Agreement at any time, and for any reason, which termination shall be effective upon notification to Broker by authorized representatives of RISE TPO.

9.0 INDEMNIFICATION

- 9.1 Broker shall indemnify and hold RISE TPO harmless from and against any and all loss, claim, damage, liability, and cost sustained or incurred by RISE TPO, including all costs and reasonable attorney's fees and costs, arising out of or based upon the accuracy or breach of any warranty or representation made by Broker in this Agreement, the breach by Broker of any obligation or covenant to be performed by Broker under this Agreement, or any claim by a DSCR Business Purpose loan applicant arising out of a failure or refusal to fund a mortgage loan. In the event of any claim against RISE TPO or Broker by a mortgage loan applicant, RISE TPO shall have the exclusive right to determine the conduct and defense of such legal proceeding or investigation with such mortgage loan applicant, including, without limitation, the right to compromise, settle, defend, or continue any such action. RISE TPO shall have the right but shall be under no obligation, to assume the legal defense of Broker, and Broker shall pay RISE TPO its reasonable share of legal costs and expenses.
- 9.2 If Broker maintains the required licenses to do so, Broker agrees to repurchase from RISE TPO any mortgage loan made pursuant to this Agreement, upon the terms and conditions set forth herein, in the event Broker has breached any of the terms of this Agreement. Broker shall effectuate the purchase of any mortgage loan required to be repurchased pursuant to this Agreement within thirty (30) days, after Broker's receipt of written demand for repurchase from RISE TPO. The repurchase price for any mortgage loan that Broker is required to purchase hereunder shall be an amount equal to the sum of (a) the then unpaid principal balance of the mortgage loan; (b) accrued interest through the date of purchase; (c) all unreimbursed advances and extraordinary costs and expenses incurred by RISE TPO with regard to such mortgage loan during the life of the mortgage loan; (d) all other costs and expenses incurred by RISE TPO including penalties incurred from any investor or servicer and reasonable attorney fees incurred in connection with the purchase; and (e) any fees paid by RISE TPO, including but not limited to all fees and costs paid to Broker and/or other parties for goods and services rendered in connection with the origination and closing of such mortgage loan. Upon purchase of a mortgage loan by Broker, RISE TPO shall endorse the note and shall assign the mortgage in recordable



form to Broker without representations and warranties, whether express or implied and without recourse to RISE TPO.

10.0 WAIVERS OF REMEDIES

RISE TPO's failure or delay to audit any loan prior to closing and funding, or RISE TPO's failure or delay in giving notice to Broker of any material loan application or document discrepancy discovered after funding or RISE TPO's failure or delay to exercise any right or remedy available under this Agreement or at law or equity, shall not act as a waiver of any right or remedy, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right preclude any other or further exercise thereof. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver. No waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Party making the waiver. All remedies shall be cumulative and nonexclusive.

11.0 MATERIALS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Parties hereby incorporate into this Agreement by this reference each and all of the terms and provisions of the following documents, copies of which are appended hereto: Fair Lending Acknowledgement; Fraud Policy Disclosure; and Broker's Commitment to Responsible Lending.

12.0 JURISDICTION AND VENUE

The Parties hereby expressly agree and consent that jurisdiction and venue for any dispute arising out of this Agreement shall be in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Orange, or in the Orange County Division of the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

13.0 NOTICES

13.1

All demands, notices, and communications delivered to a Party hereunder shall be in writing (which may be delivered by electronic transmission to the email addresses set forth below) and shall be deemed delivered only when received by the party to which they are sent. Any such demand, notice, or communication not delivered via electronic transmission shall be delivered by a recognized private courier service or deposited with the United States Postal Service, certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows (unless such address is changed by written notice hereunder).

Attention: Company Name: Address: City, State Zip: Telephone: Email:

13.2 IF TO RISE TPO:

IF TO BROKER:

Attention: Client Approval Department

OCMBC, Inc. dba RISE TPO 19000 MacArthur Blvd., Suite 200

Irvine, CA 92612

Telephone: 888-973-8210 Email: brokersupport@RISETPO.com

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14.0 ATTORNEY FEES

In any action or proceeding arising out of this Agreement, the prevailing party therein shall be entitled to an award of its reasonable attorney's fees as an item of costs.

15.0 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless continue in full force and effect.

16.0 EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be of no force and effect unless and until it is executed by both of the Parties hereto.

17.0 EFFECTIVE DATE OF AGREEMENT

The effective date of this Agreement shall be the date of execution below.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO ALL ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Broker of Record Name	Broker Title
Broker of Record Signature	Agreement Execution Date
RISE TPO:	
Principal Officer Name	Officer Title
Principal Officer Signature	Agreement Execution Date

Loan Fraud Zero Tolerance Disclosure



All Loan Brokers must be aware that the Broker bears the responsibility for all actions of his or her Employees and/or Licensees. The Broker is responsible for the content and quality of each loan application taken and each loan submitted to RISE TPO. Submission of a loan application containing false information is a crime punishable by law, is considered to be a form of Loan Fraud, and RISE TPO maintains a Zero Tolerance Policy for any type of Loan Fraud.

A. Types of Loan Fraud

- 1. Submission of inaccurate information, including false statements on a loan application and falsification and/or forgery of documents purporting to substantiate asset or deposit information, credit, employment, and/or personal information, including identity, ownership (or non-ownership) of real property
- 2. Incorrect statements regarding current occupancy, leases, rents paid, rent history, or intent to maintain minimum continuing occupancy as stated on the Security Instrument
- 3. Lack of due diligence by Broker, Interviewer, Loan Originator, Processor, including failure to obtain all information required by the application and failure to request information as dictated by the Borrower's responses to other questions
- 4. Unquestioned acceptance of information or documentation that is known or should be suspected to be inaccurate
- 5. Allowing an applicant or interested third party to assist with the processing of the loan
- 6. Broker's non-disclosure of relevant information

B. Consequences

The effects of Loan Fraud are costly to all parties involved. RISE TPO stands behind the quality of its loan production. Fraudulent loans cannot be sold to investors in the Secondary Market and if sold will require repurchase. Fraudulent loans damage RISE TPO's reputation with those investors. The price paid by those who participate in Loan Fraud is even more costly. Following is a list of some of the potential consequences that may be incurred.

Potential Consequences to the Broker

Any or all of the following may occur as a result of committing loan fraud; this is not an exhaustive list:

- 1. Immediate loss of approval to do business status with RISE TPO
- 2. Civil action by RISE TPO and/or other parties to the transaction
- 3. Criminal prosecution
- 4. Loss of licenses (if applicable)

C. Broker's Zero Fraud Tolerance Statement and Signature

I have read the foregoing and fully understand RISE TPO's position on Loan Fraud. Neither this Broker nor any party acting on this Broker's behalf will knowingly and/or willfully engage in the practice of any loan fraud or any actions that may be defined as loan fraud that result in the origination and submission of a fraudulent loan to RISE TPO.

Dringing Officer Name	Dringing Officer Title
Principal Officer Name	Principal Officer Title
Principal Officer Signature	Date



Signature

DSCR Broker Authorization to Investigate Background

Broker must complete this form.

Α.	I hereby authorize, in my individual capacity, in and any additional information or other docume of my employment (past and present), work pe and conviction records.	ntation submitted herewith, includin	g verification	(Please Initial)
В.	I hereby authorize RISE TPO, its parent correferred to hereinafter as "RISE TPO") to obtain hereby release RISE TPO and those individual damages except where such release is prohibit	a consumer report from an outside s providing such information from a	vendor, and	(Please Initial)
C.	I understand that RISE TPO's decision to do be conditioned in whole or in part upon my passing includes verification of my accomplishments a criminal records and my credit history.	ng RISE TPO's background investig	gation, which	(Please Initial)
D.	I hereby certify that, during the past ten year contendere to any crime nor been found liable against banks, credit unions, escrow companies institutions, and/or trust companies.	in a civil or administrative action fo	r wrong acts	(Please Initial)
E.	I hereby certify that I have read and understand statements and comments set forth in that app knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation result in denial of the business relationship cont	lication are true and complete to th n, falsification, or omission of mater	e best of my	(Please Initial)
F.	Please answer this questionnaire and attach a any.	letter of explanation for each "Yes"	response, if	
	 Have you filed for protection from creditors u 	under any provision or bankruptcy la	ws? □Yes	/ 🗌 No
	Have you had your real estate or other professor received any other disciplinary action from	essional license suspended or revol	_	 /
	3. Have you ever been named as a defend misrepresentation?		d or □Yes	/
	4. Are you currently a party to a lawsuit?		☐ Yes	/ 🗌 No
G.	Individual Applicant Information and Signature:			
Na	me:	Title:		
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Date



Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Befo	e y	ou begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see Purpose of Form, below.								
	1	Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner entity's name on line 2.)	r's name	on li	ne 1,	and ent	ter the bu	usiness	s/disrega	arded
	2	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.								
Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.		Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on only one of the following seven boxes. Individual/sole proprietor	Trust/es . he tax e approp	priate	_ E	certair see in exempt p exemption compliant code (if a	otions (con entities struction on entities struction on from Fince Act (anny)	, notin s on p de (if a Foreign FATCA	ndividua age 3): ny) n Accou ly report	ils; int Tax ting
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	6	City, state, and ZIP code								
	7	List account number(s) here (optional)								
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		he account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also <i>What Name and</i> To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.			_					
Par	t II	Certification								
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3. I a	n a	U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and								
4. Th	FA	NTCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is	correc	t.						
beca	ise y	tion instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you a you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, n or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirem	item 2	does	not a	apply. F	or mort	gage i	interest	

other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

General Instructions

Signature of

U.S. person

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Sign

Here

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

Date

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

- 1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
 - Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
- 4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
- 5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- · An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(I)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

- 1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
 - 2. The treaty article addressing the income.
- 3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
- 4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
- 5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

- 1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
- You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
- 3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
- 4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
- 5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under "By signing the filled-out form" above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; do not leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

• Individual. Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

- Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.
- Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- Other entities. Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- Disregarded entity. In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3s

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n)	THEN check the box for
Corporation	Corporation.
Individual orSole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
 LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a 	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership,
corporation	C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
Partnership	Partnership.
Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1 — An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4-A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5-A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7-A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8-A real estate investment trust.
- $9\!-\!\text{An}$ entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11-A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
 Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000¹ 	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5.2
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).
 - B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

- F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.
 - G—A real estate investment trust.
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
 - I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).
 - J-A bank as defined in section 581.
 - K-A broker.
- $L\!-\!A$ trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).
- M-A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See What Name and Number To Give the Requester, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S.* status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

- 1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.
- 2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.
- **3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.
- 4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).
- 5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account!
Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
 b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law 	The actual owner ¹
Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
 Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))** 	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
 Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization 	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

- ³You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.
- ⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)
- * Note: The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.
- **For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- · Protect your SSN,
- · Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- · Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

²Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to <code>phishing@irs.gov</code>. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at <code>spam@uce.gov</code> or report them at <code>www.ftc.gov/complaint</code>. You can contact the FTC at <code>www.ftc.gov/idtheft</code> or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see <code>www.ldentityTheft.gov</code> and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/ldentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.