National Association of Tax Professionals

Governance Committee Report

Arizona Chapter – Board Meeting

AFIT – Arizona Forum for Improvement of Taxation

Your AZ NATP chapter is a member of the Arizona Forum for Improvement of Taxation (AFIT).  This organization is a coalition of organizations along with tax agency liaisons which meets to discuss tax administration issues, including return filing, examination issues and collection practices, as well as new developments.

<https://afitaz.org/>

The AFIT Board met through a Zoom meeting on December 17, 2021. Topics discussed were:

* ADOR—the Installment Agreement (IA) portal is established on aztaxes.gov. The ADOR Representative stated the new portal is more efficient. She also requested that all paper IA forms be destroyed. The portal “request a payment plan” has directions on what is required to establish an IA. 6,000 more taxpayers used the portal in 2021.
* ADOR—Small Business Income forms are now available on the AZ website. (<https://azdor.gov/forms/small-business-income-forms/small-business-income-tax-booklet>)
* ADOR—Package X is now available on the AZ website.
* ADOR—the Military Pension exclusion is 100% for 2021. Tax bracket changes are still in flux.
* ADOR—New Audit Deputy Assistant is Stacey Scott. She worked in the Public Sector for Washington State.
* ADOR—Expect new SALT legislation.
* IRS TAS—Nothing new to report other than the IRS is migrating to Office 365. They are looking at using the Edge Browser more.
* IRS—President Biden is not expecting any Build Back America legislation to take place in 2021.
* There is a winter AFIT seminar on January 20, 2022. The cost for the seminar is $125 if purchased before or on 12/25, $140 after 1/14/22. The Discount Code is WINTERAFIT22. Classes presented are:
	+ Cryptocurrency, Presenter Burgess Raby, Attorney;
	+ IRS Initiatives: High-Income Taxpayers, Presenters Jason Silver and Greg Robinson, Attorneys;
	+ Lunch and Learn with TAS Dawn Marie Baltadonis;
	+ Federal Tax Update, Presenter Michael Lemme, CPA;
	+ Filing Season Update, Presenter Lisa Novak, IRS Stakeholder Liaison; and,
	+ How Federal Prosecutors Proceed in Criminal Cases, Presenter Monica Klapper, Assistant US Attorney
* Summer AFIT July 2022. Discussed if seminar will be a hybrid of in-person and zoom. Who is the intended audience for seminar, and if AFIT is inclusive of all areas of Arizona or metro-Phoenix?

Respectfully submitted,

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