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Internal Revenue Service

Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC); Nominations

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury.

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is requesting applications from individuals with experience in such areas as state tax administration, cybersecurity and information security, tax software development, tax preparation, payroll and tax financial product processing, systems management and improvement, implementation of customer service initiatives, public administration, and consumer advocacy to be considered for selection as members of the Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC).

DATES: Written nominations must be received on or before March 1, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Applications may be submitted via fax to 855-811-8020 or via email to PublicLiaison@irs.gov. Application packages are available on the IRS Web site at <https://www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/apply-for-membership-on-the-electronic-tax-administration-advisory-committee-etaac>. Application packages may also be requested by telephone from National Public Liaison, 202-317-6247 (not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sean Parman at (202) 317-6247, or send an email to publicliaison@irs.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IRS strongly encourages representatives from consumer groups with an interest in tax issues to apply.

Nominations should describe and document the proposed member's qualifications for ETAAC membership, including the applicant's knowledge of regulations and the applicant's past or current affiliations and involvement with the particular tax segment or segments of the community that the applicant wishes to represent on the committee. Applications will be accepted for current vacancies from qualified individuals and from professional and public

interest groups that wish to have representation on ETAAC. Submissions must include an application and resume.

ETAAC provides continuing input into the development and implementation of the IRS organizational strategy for electronic tax administration. The ETAAC provides an organized public forum for discussion of electronic tax administration issues -- such as prevention of identity theft-related refund fraud -- in support of the overriding goal that paperless filing should be the preferred and most convenient method of filing tax and information returns. ETAAC members work closely with the Security Summit, a joint effort of the IRS, state tax administrators and the nation's tax industry, to fight identity theft and refund fraud. ETAAC members convey the public's perceptions of IRS electronic tax administration activities, offer constructive observations about current or proposed policies, programs and procedures, and suggest improvements.

This is a volunteer position. Members will serve three-year terms on the ETAAC to allow for a rotation in membership and ensure different perspectives are represented. Travel expenses within government guidelines will be reimbursed. In accordance with Department of Treasury Directive 21-03, a clearance process including fingerprints, annual tax checks, a Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal check and a practitioner check with the Office of Professional Responsibility will be conducted.

The establishment and operation of the Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC) is required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 (RRA 98), Title II, Section 2001(b)(2). ETAAC follows a charter in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. The ETAAC provides continued input into the development and implementation of the IRS's strategy for electronic tax administration. The ETAAC will research, analyze, consider, and make recommendations on a wide range of electronic tax administration issues and will provide input into the development of the strategic plan for electronic tax administration. Members will provide an annual report to Congress by June 30.

Applicants must complete the application form, which includes describing and documenting the applicant's qualifications for ETAAC membership. Applicants must submit a short one or two-page statement including recent examples of specific skills and qualifications as they relate to: cybersecurity and information security, tax software development, tax preparation, payroll and tax financial product processing, systems management and improvement, implementation of customer service initiatives, consumer advocacy and public administration. Examples of critical thinking, strategic planning and oral and written communication are desirable.

An acknowledgement of receipt will be sent to all applicants.

Equal opportunity practices will be followed in all appointments to the ETAAC in accordance with Department of Treasury and IRS policies. The IRS has a special interest in assuring that women and men, members of all races and national origins, and individuals with disabilities have an opportunity to serve on advisory committees. Therefore, IRS extends particular encouragement to nominations from such appropriately qualified individuals.

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