ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT

ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT IN AN IRS TAX AUDIT

Review of Books and Records

Analyze facts and circumstances to the tax law

Organize records

Develop an approach to the issue

Perform research and apply the law to the issue

Calculate tax and tax consequences of alternative approaches and issues

ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT IN TRIAL PREPARATION

Analysis of the books and records

Research accounting and tax issues

Interviews

Examining outside accountant/auditor work papers

Share findings with counsel - offer suggestions for moving forward

Review the government's theory and comps

Meet with government's experts

Assist attorney with witnesses

Tax calculations

ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT IN PLEA AGREEMENTS

Work through Plea Phase and Civil Disposition

Calculate tax

Review plea language

Make recommendations to counsel

ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT AS AN EXPERT WITNESS

Testify about their findings

Review information and documents

Offer opinion testimony

Offer written opinion

ROLE OF THE FORENSIC ACCOUNTANT IN A DIVORCE PROCEEDING

Determination of Assets available

Custodial vs. non-custodial

Property Settlement

Analysis income

Subsequent tax liabilities

Innocent Spouse

Alimony

Child support

Marital home issues

Property Settlements PSA

Pensions

IRA's, Stock Options, royalties, family partnerships valuing professional practices or closely held businesses

