



PACKAGE CONTENTS & REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Package Contents & Information Keep for your files
- Client Information Sheet..... Return to our office
- Privacy Policy..... Keep for your files
- Engagement Letter Signed Sign & return to our office
- “Client Questionnaire” (3 pages) Complete & return to our office

Complete the required pages in this package and return them to us with your tax paperwork. Include all W-2's, 1099's, or other reporting forms you have received.

If we receive your information after **March 19, 2018**, it may be necessary to file an extension.

FILING DEADLINE: April 17, 2018 (*extended filing deadline: October 15, 2018*)

CLIENT PORTAL: As a service to our clients, we offer a free client portal for you to easily access your information from our office. This portal can also be used to send us information. Please let us know if you would like a portal set up on your behalf.

TAX SEASON SCHEDULE

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00AM – 5:00PM
Lauren will be available by appointment only.
Call Shina to schedule your appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: 501-499-9665 **Website:** laurenerion.com **Email:** info@laurenerion.com

OFFICE POLICIES

- All fees for services rendered are due upon the completion of your returns. All fees must be paid before we will electronically file or otherwise release your tax returns.
- **If you need an electronic copy of your return provided to your banker, or other third party, we are required by law to have a signed authorization on file authorizing this disclosure. Please let us know if you will be needing this authorization on file.**
- We must have a signed engagement letter on file before we begin preparing your tax returns.
- Returns are prepared on a first-come, first-serve basis. It is extremely important that ALL documents and information are included. Please inform us if you have any known documents you will provide to us at a later date. We will contact you if we have questions, need more information or when the return is complete. We cannot guarantee completion within a specific time frame, however, we strive to have a two - three week turn around during tax season.



CLIENT INFORMATION SHEET

TAXPAYER NAME: _____
SPOUSE NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Taxpayer Phone: _____ Taxpayer Email: _____

Taxpayer Social Security Number: _____

Taxpayer Date of Birth: _____ Taxpayer Occupation: _____

Spouse Phone: _____ Spouse Email: _____

Spouse Social Security Number: _____

Spouse Date of Birth: _____ Spouse Occupation: _____

Preferred Method of Contact: Email _____ Phone _____ Text _____ Mail _____

Would you like a client portal? Yes _____ No _____
(for easy sending and receiving documents)

Client Copy of Return: Paper _____ Electronic _____ Both _____

Refund Type: Check _____ Direct Deposit _____ (attach voided check)

Whom may we thank for referring you to us? _____

DEPENDENTS:

NAME	BIRTHDATE	SSN
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please include a copy of your driver's license (for both taxpayer and spouse) and Social Security cards for all taxpayers and dependents.

Office Use Only:
 Voided check on file _____ Driver's License on file _____ Social Security Cards on file _____
 Engagement Letter _____ If new client, prior 2 years return on file _____ Client created in Practice _____
 Paper file created _____



PRIVACY POLICY

CPAs, like all providers of personal financial services, are now required by law to inform their clients of their policies regarding privacy of client information. CPAs have been and continue to be bound by professional standards of confidentiality that are even more stringent than those required by law. Therefore, we have always protected your right to privacy.

TYPES OF NONPUBLIC PERSONAL INFORMATION WE COLLECT

We collect nonpublic personal information about you that is either provided to us by you or obtained by us with your authorization.

PARTIES TO WHOM WE DISCLOSE INFORMATION

For current and former clients, we do not disclose any nonpublic personal information obtained in the course of our practice except as required or permitted by law. Permitted disclosures include, for instance, providing information to our employees and, in limited situations, to unrelated third parties who need to know that information to assist us in providing services to you. In all such situations, we stress the confidential nature of information being shared.

PROTECTING THE CONFIDENTIALITY AND SECURITY OF CURRENT AND FORMER CLIENTS' INFORMATION

We retain records relating to professional services that we provide so that we are better able to assist you with your professional needs and, in some cases, to comply with professional guidelines. In order to guard your nonpublic personal information, we maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with our professional standards.

Please call if you have any questions, because your privacy, our professional ethics, and the ability to provide you with quality financial services are very important to us.

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This letter is to confirm and specify the terms of our engagement with you and to clarify the nature and extent of the services we will provide. In order to ensure an understanding of our mutual responsibilities, we ask all clients for whom returns are prepared to confirm the following arrangements.

We will prepare your 2017 federal and state income tax returns from information which you will furnish to us. We will not audit or otherwise verify the data you submit, although it may be necessary to ask you for clarification of some of the information. We will furnish you with questionnaires and worksheets to guide you in gathering the necessary information. Your use of such forms will assist in keeping the fee to a minimum.

It is your responsibility to provide all the information required for the preparation of complete and accurate returns. You should retain all the documents, 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.

Our work in connection with the preparation of your income tax returns does not include any procedures designed to discover defalcations and/or irregularities, should any exist. We will render such accounting and bookkeeping assistance as determined to be necessary for preparation of the income tax returns.

Your returns may be selected for review by the taxing authorities. Any proposed adjustments by the examining agent are subject to certain rights of appeal. In the event of such government tax examination, we will be available upon request to represent you and will render additional invoices for the time and expenses incurred.

Our fee for these services will be based upon the standard amount of time allotted for the forms required for the complete and accurate filing of your returns. If the actual time required to complete your returns exceeds the standard allotment, your invoice may be adjusted accordingly. Invoices are due and payable upon presentation. Our invoice must be paid before we will electronically file or otherwise release your returns for filing.

If the foregoing fairly sets forth your understanding, please sign the enclosed copy of this letter in the space indicated and return it to our office. However, if there are other tax returns you expect us to prepare, please inform us by noting so at the end of the return copy of this letter.

We want to express our appreciation for this opportunity to work with you.

Sincerely,

Lauren E. Erion, CPA, P.A.

Accepted By: _____ Date: _____

Questions

Please check the appropriate box and include all necessary details and documentation.

	Yes	No
Personal Information		
Did your marital status change during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, explain: _____		
Did your address change from last year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Can you be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you change any bank accounts, or did routing transit numbers (RTN) and/or bank account number change for existing bank accounts that have been used to direct deposit (or direct debit) funds from (or to) the IRS or other taxing authority during the tax year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you receive an Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) from the IRS or have you been a victim of identity theft? If yes, attach the IRS letter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you reside in or operate a business in a Federally declared disaster area? The Federally declared disaster areas include hurricane and tropical storm victims in Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and parts of Texas, Louisiana and South Carolina, as well as wildfire victims in California.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dependent Information		
Were there any changes in dependents from the prior year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, explain: _____		
Do you have any children under age 19 or a full-time student under age 24 with unearned income in excess of \$2,100?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have dependents who must file a tax return?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you provide over half the support for any other person(s) other than your dependent children during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you pay for child care while you worked, looked for work, or while a full-time student?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you pay any expenses related to the adoption of a child during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you are divorced or separated with child(ren), do you have a divorce decree or other form of separation agreement which establishes custodial responsibilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did any dependents receive an Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) from the IRS or have they been a victim of identity theft? If yes, attach the IRS letter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Purchases, Sales and Debt Information		
Did you start a new business or purchase rental property during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you sell, exchange, or purchase any assets used in your trade or business?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you acquire a new or additional interest in a partnership or S corporation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you sell, exchange, or purchase any real estate during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you purchase or sell a principal residence during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you foreclose or abandon a principal residence or real property during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you acquire or dispose of any stock during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you take out a home equity loan this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you refinance a principal residence or second home this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you sell an existing business, rental, or other property this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you lend money with the understanding of repayment and this year it became totally uncollectable?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you have any debts canceled or forgiven this year, such as a home mortgage or student loan(s)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you purchase a qualified plug-in electric drive vehicle or qualified fuel cell vehicle this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Income Information		
Did you have any foreign income or pay any foreign taxes during the year, directly or indirectly, such as from investment accounts, partnerships or a foreign employer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Did you receive any income from property sold prior to this year?
- Did you receive any unemployment benefits during the year?
- Did you receive any disability income during the year?
- Did you receive tip income not reported to your employer this year?
- Did any of your life insurance policies mature, or did you surrender any policies?
- Did you receive any awards, prizes, hobby income, gambling or lottery winnings?
- Do you expect a large fluctuation in income, deductions, or withholding next year?

Retirement Information

- Are you an active participant in a pension or retirement plan?
- Did you receive any Social Security benefits during the year?
- Did you make any withdrawals from an IRA, Roth, myRA, Keogh, SIMPLE, SEP, 401(k), or other qualified retirement plan?
- If yes, were any withdrawals due to a Federally declared disaster?
- Did you receive any lump-sum payments from a pension, profit sharing or 401(k) plan?
- Did you make any contributions to an IRA, Roth, myRA, Keogh, SIMPLE, SEP, 401(k), or other qualified retirement plan?

Education Information

- Did you, your spouse, or your dependents attend a post-secondary school during the year, or plan to attend one in the coming year?
- Did you have any educational expenses during the year on behalf of yourself, your spouse, or a dependent? If yes, attach any Form(s) 1098-T and receipts for qualified tuition and related expenses
- Did anyone in your family receive a scholarship of any kind during the year?
- If yes, were any of the scholarship funds used for expenses other than tuition, such as room and board?
- Did you make any withdrawals from an education savings or 529 Plan account?
- Did you make any contributions to an education savings or 529 Plan account?
- Did you pay any student loan interest this year?
- Did you cash any Series EE or I U.S. Savings bonds issued after 1989?
- Would you like a worksheet to aid in the completion of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the U.S. Department of Education?

Health Care Information

- Did you have qualifying health care coverage, such as employer-sponsored coverage or government-sponsored coverage (i.e. Medicare/Medicaid) for your family? "Your family" for health care coverage refers to you, your spouse if filing jointly, and anyone you can claim as a dependent. If yes, attach any Form(s) 1095-B and/or 1095-C you received.
- Did anyone in your family qualify for an exemption from the health care coverage mandate? Examples of exemptions include (but are not limited to) certain non-citizens, members of a health care sharing ministry, members of Federally-recognized Indian tribes, and exemptions requested from the Marketplace. If yes, attach the Exemption Certificate Number (ECN) or type of exemption.
- Did you enroll for lower cost Marketplace Coverage through healthcare.gov under the Affordable Care Act? If yes, attach any Form(s) 1095-A you received.
- Did you enroll for lower cost Marketplace Coverage through healthcare.gov under the Affordable Care Act and share a policy with anyone who is not included in your family?
- Did you make any contributions to a Health savings account (HSA) or Archer MSA?
- Did you receive any distributions from a Health savings account (HSA), Archer MSA, or Medicare Advantage MSA this year?
- Did you pay long-term care premiums for yourself or your family?
- Did you make any contributions to an ABLE (Achieving a Better Life Experience) account? If yes, attach any Form(s) 5498-QA you received.
- Did you receive any withdrawals from an ABLE (Achieving a Better Life Experience) account? If yes, attach any Form(s) 1099-QA you received.
- If you are a business owner, did you pay health insurance premiums for your

- employees this year?
- Did you receive any Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) advance payments?
If yes, attach any Form(s) 1099-H you received.

Itemized Deduction Information

- Did you incur a casualty or theft loss or any condemnation awards during the year?
- If yes, did the loss occur in a Federally declared disaster area?
- Did you pay out-of-pocket medical expenses (Co-pays, prescription drugs, etc.)?
- Did you make any cash or noncash charitable contributions (clothes, furniture, etc.)?
If yes, please provide evidence such as a receipt from the donee organization, a canceled check, or record of payment, to substantiate all contributions made.
- Did you donate a vehicle or boat during the year? If yes, attach Form 1098-C or other written acknowledgment from the donee organization.
- Did you pay real estate taxes for your primary home and/or second home?
- Did you pay any mortgage interest on an existing home loan? If yes, attach any Form(s) 1098 you received.
- Did you incur interest expenses associated with any investment accounts you held?
- Did you have an expense account or allowance during the year?
- Did you use your car on the job, for other than commuting?
- Did you work out of town for part of the year?
- Did you have any expenses related to seeking a new job during the year?
- Did you make any major purchases during the year (cars, boats, etc.)?
- Did you make any out-of-state purchases (by telephone, internet, mail, or in person) for which the seller did not collect state sales or use tax?

Miscellaneous Information

- Did you make gifts of more than \$14,000 to any individual?
- Did you utilize an area of your home for business purposes?
- Did you engage in any bartering transactions?
- Did you retire or change jobs this year?
- Did you incur moving costs because of a job change?
- Did you pay any individual as a household employee during the year?
- Did you make energy efficient improvements to your main home this year?
- Did you receive a distribution from, or were you a grantor or transferor for a foreign trust?
- Did you have a financial interest in or signature authority over a financial account such as a bank account, securities account, or brokerage account, located in a foreign country?
- Do you have any foreign financial accounts, foreign financial assets, or hold interest in a foreign entity?
- Did you receive correspondence from the State or the IRS?
If yes, explain: _____
- Do you have previous years of tax returns that are either unfiled or filed with unpaid balances due?
- Do you want to designate \$3 to the Presidential Election Campaign Fund? If you check yes, it will not change your tax or reduce your refund.