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Taxpayer Bill of Rights

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Each and every taxpayer has a set of fundamental rights they should be aware of when dealing with the IRS. Explore your rights and our obligations to protect them.

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THE IRS is usurping The Bill of Rights through their Taxpayer Bill of Rights



Low Income Taxpayer Clinics

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The Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC) program is a matching grant program that provides Federal funds to organizations so they in turn can provide LITC services to taxpayers who are low income or who speak English as a second language (ESL).

Clinics participating in the LITC program provide:

- **Representation** for individuals in disputes with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), including audits, appeals, collection matters, and federal tax litigation. LITCs can also help taxpayers respond to IRS notices and correct account problems
- **Education** about taxpayer rights and responsibilities
- **Advocacy** on behalf of low income and ESL taxpayers

LITC services are free or low cost for eligible taxpayers. LITCs are independent from the IRS but receive some of their funding from the IRS through the LITC grant program. Each clinic determines whether prospective clients meet income guidelines and other criteria before agreeing to represent them.

The IRS will accept applications for a part-year LITC matching grant from qualified organizations in identified underserved geographic areas. See [IR-2016-31](#) for more details. Applications must be submitted electronically at www.grants.gov March 1 – April 1, 2016. Grants made under this announcement will cover the period July 1 – December 31, 2016.

The 2017 grant application period will open in the spring of 2016.

Taxpayers seeking LITC services, [click here](#).

Organizations wishing to apply for a grant, [click here](#).

Learn more about the [LITC Program](#).

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<https://www.irs.gov/Advocate/Low-Income-Taxpayer-Clinics>

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The Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC) Program, administered by TAS, has issued its first **program report** and related **infographic**. The report summarizes how clinics assist thousands of low income taxpayers through pro bono representation, education and advocacy efforts. Learn more about LITCs on the **Low Income Taxpayer Clinics** page.

Welcome!

Welcome to the Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) Tax Toolkit! This Tax Toolkit is a website that contains useful tax information for individuals, businesses, tax professionals and media, including news and updates, ways TAS helps taxpayers, and important information about tax topics and rights.

Who We Are

As an independent organization within the IRS, we help taxpayers resolve problems with the IRS and recommend changes that will prevent the problems. We are "Your

Your Rights as a Taxpayer

Publication 1

This publication explains your rights as a taxpayer and the processes for examination, appeal, collection, and refunds. Also available in Spanish.

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights

1. The Right to Be Informed

Taxpayers have the right to know what they need to do to comply with the tax laws. They are entitled to clear explanations of the laws and IRS procedures in all tax forms, instructions, publications, notices, and correspondence. They have the right to be informed of IRS decisions about their tax accounts and to receive clear explanations of the outcomes.

2. The Right to Quality Service

Taxpayers have the right to receive prompt, courteous, and professional assistance in their dealings with the IRS, to be spoken to in a way they can easily understand, to receive clear explanations of IRS procedures, and to receive clear explanations of the outcomes.

3. The Right to Fair and Just Treatment

Taxpayers have the right to be treated fairly and justly by the IRS. They have the right to be treated with respect and dignity, and to be treated as individuals, not as statistics.

4. The Right to Privacy

Taxpayers have the right to expect that any IRS inquiry, examination, or enforcement action will comply with the law and be no more intrusive than necessary, and will respect all due process rights, including search and seizure protections and the right to be heard.

5. The Right to a Fair Hearing

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6. The Right to Finality

Taxpayers have the right to know the maximum amount of time they have to challenge the IRS's position as well as the maximum amount of time the IRS has to audit a particular tax year or collect a tax debt. Taxpayers have the right to know when the IRS has finished an audit.

7. The Right to Privacy

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- A Fair and Just Tax System, Including Access to the Taxpayer Advocate Service

Know Your Rights.



RELIGION

I'M RIGHT! YOU'RE WRONG! LA! LA! LA! I CAN'T HEAR YOU!