

End-of-Year Individual Tax Planning

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Agenda

- ➤ Top 10 Individual Tax Planning strategies
- ► 2023 Tax Credits
- ➤ Qualified Opportunity Funds
- ➤ Qualified Small Business Stock
- ➤ Donor-Advised Funds vs Private Nonoperating Foundations
- ➤ Incentive Stock Options and Nonqualified Stock Options
- ► IRS Initiatives for Individual Taxpayers

Top 10 Individual Tax Planning Strategies for Year End

- 1) Harvesting Loss
- 2) Reduce Underpayment penalties
- 3) Maximize pre-tax dollars
- 4) Plan for Long-Term Capital Gain
- 5) Evaluate Qualified Dividends



Top 10 Individual Tax Planning Strategies at Year End (continued)

- 6) Worthless Stock and Bad Debt Write offs
- 7) Release At-risk basis losses
- 8) Dispose passive activities with prior year disallowed passive losses
- 9) Small Business Owner tax opportunities (Qualified Business Income Deduction; Research and Development; State Pass through entity elections; SEP Contributions)
- 10)Retirement planning (Qualified Charitable Distributions; Non spouse Beneficiaries)

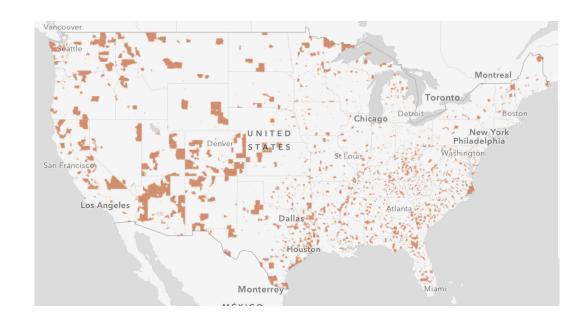
Credits for 2023 Tax Year

Residential Clean Energy Credit	30% of Qualified Property
Energy Efficient Home Improvement Credit	Maximum Credit up to \$3,200
Clean Vehicle Credit	Maximum Credit up to \$7,500 subject to Adjusted Gross Income phaseouts

Qualified Opportunity Funds

- **≻Goal**
- > Qualified Opportunity Zones defined
- > Qualified Opportunity Funds defined
- >How does it work?
- > Special rule for Pass-through owners
- > Gross Gains count
- >Which gains to defer?
- **≻State Conformity**
- **>What should you do?**





Qualified Small Business Stock (Section 1202)

- **≻Goal**
- >Tax Benefits
- **≻**Challenging part
- **Documentation**
- **≻**Section 1045 remedy
- **≻State Conformity**





Donor-Advised Fund

- > Donating to reduce tax bill
- > **Donate Directly**
- >Set up a Donor-Advised Fund
- > Donor-Advised Fund defined
- >How does it work?
- >Tax Benefit
- >ACE Act
- >Advantages vs Disadvantages
 - > Fairbairn vs Fidelity



Private Nonoperating Foundation

- **Example**
- **▶** Private Nonoperating Foundation defined
- >How does it work?
- >Appreciated stock strategy
- > Advantages vs Disadvantages





Incentive Stock Options & Nonqualified stock options Planning



Incentive Stock Options (ISOs) Tax Rules

- Qualifying Disposition Defined
 - Long-term capital gain treatment
 - Holding period requirements
 - Taxpayer must not sell the underlying stock until the later of:
 - The expiration of two years from the grant date, or
 - One year from the exercise date of the stock option.



Incentive Stock Options Lifecycle

- Grant date: No tax consequences
- Exercise date:
 - Regular Tax No tax consequences
 - Alternative Minimum Tax ("AMT") Income = FMV at exercise less exercise price
 - Prior Year Minimum Tax Credit
- Sale date:
 - Regular Tax Capital Gain = Sales Price less basis
 - Alternative Minimum Tax Capital Gain = Sales Price less basis (includes compensation income recognized on the exercise date)
 - Prior Year Minimum Tax Credit



Strategy No 1: Hold the ISO Stock Long Term

Hold the Stock for more than a year.

Stock prices increase vs decrease



Strategy No 2: Dispose of Shares in Exercise Year

- Disqualifying disposition
- Compensation Income equal to the lessor of:
 - FMV at exercise less exercise price or;
 - FMV at sale less exercise price
- No AMT adjustment
- Advantages vs Disadvantages
- Beware of wash sale loss rules
- W-2 income and no withholding

Strategy No 3: Sell in Exercise Year and Year After

Implement blended strategy

Breakeven point

Tax Benefits



NonQualified Stock Options Tax Lifecycle

- Grant Date: No tax consequences, except if readily ascertainable fairmarket-value
- Exercise Date: Compensation equal to the FMV at exercise less exercise price, except if substantial risk of forfeiture or transferability restrictions.
- Lapse Date: If substantial risk of forfeiture or transferability restrictions, then compensation is recognized on lapse date (in lieu of exercise date)
- Sale Date: Capital gain equal to FMV at sale less basis (includes compensation income previously recognized)

IRS Initiatives for Individual Taxpayers

- Global High Wealth Program expansion
- High-Income collection cases field initiative
- Digital Assets Cases expected to increase
- Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) greater scrutiny
- Real Estate Professional Status
- Non-cash contributions, art donations
- Basis and losses claimed excess of basis

Questions?





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