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IMPORTANT LAW CHANGE FOR BUSINESSES

Effective January 1, 2024, the new Corporate Transparency Act (CTA) mandates that millions of both newly established and existing businesses (if they are corporations, limited liability companies, or certain other entities) must report beneficial ownership information (BOI) to the U.S. Department of Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN). Failure to file these timely reports will result in serious fines and penalties.

If your business is a non-profit or your business had over 5 million in gross revenue last year, you are not required to file this report on-line. For all other businesses, the report must be filed by December 31, 2024. For businesses incorporated in 2024, you must file this report within 90 days of the date of your approved articles of organization.

While many CPA firms are pushing this requirement back onto their clients, we do not want to force that burden on you, especially with the seriousness of the fines involved. (\$500 per day up to \$10,000 and two years in prison). Unless the government amends this law in the future, a new report will have to be filed every time the business owners change addresses or update their driver's license or passport.

CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY ACT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

<https://www.fincen.gov/boi-faqs>

We are available to prepare these reports for you during the upcoming tax season. Consequently, if you own a business and want us to file these reports for you, please bring either your drivers license or passport to your tax appointment. If you drop off your return or mail them to us, please enclose a copy of either of these documents. Our fee for preparing and filing these reports will vary depending on complexity, but the minimum fee will be \$495. Once your Business return is complete we will ask you to sign an Engagement Letter indicating whether you want us to prepare these reports, or prefer to do it yourself.

If you want us to prepare the forms, simply pay the fee and sign the engagement letter. Once we receive both, we will prepare and file the required report. If we do not receive a signed engagement letter and the preparation fee, then you will be responsible for filing the CTA reports on your own (Corporate Transparency Act Filing: <https://www.fincen.gov/boi>).

Please call if you have any questions regarding this new law change.