How To Use This Book

Please do NOT use this book by itself. This book is designed to supplement the information found in my first ebook, Prepare Your Own 501(c)(3) Application. It provides information specifically for animal welfare organizations, and emphasizes the two most challenging portions of IRS Form 1023, the Narrative and the Budget.

Because this book is meant to be a supplement, it does not include a lot of information that you need to know when you prepare a 501(c)(3) Application:

- Background on the requirements of 501(c)(3)
- General guidelines on preparing a 501(c)(3) application
- Specific information on completing parts of the 501(c)(3) application other than the narrative and budget
- Information on IRS processing of 501(c)(3) applications

Please use Prepare Your Own 501(c)(3) Application, or a similar general reference about IRS Form 1023, to provide this very necessary information.

Section IV of this book is a list of Animal Welfare organizations that have received IRS group exemptions. Before doing any work on your 501(c)(3) application, you might want to look over this list to see if there is a group that it would be appropriate for your organization to affiliate with.

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Several animal welfare related IRS rulings are reprinted in full in Section III of this book. I have provided hyperlinks (blue/underlined) to rulings referred to in the sample narratives, but not reprinted here; if you click on them while your computer is signed onto the Internet, you will go there. All links were working when this book was first published - keep in mind, however that broken Internet links are an unavoidable fact of life.

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