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. This book provides information specifically for churches, synagogues, mosques, temples and similar organizations, and emphasizes Schedule A of IRS Form 1023.

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 Schedule A
- 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 churches and similar organizations that have received IRS group exemptions. Before doing any work on your 501(c)(3) application, check to see if the group your church is (or could be) affiliated with is on this list. If your organization's parent group is listed, you may not need to complete IRS Form 1023.

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In Section III of this book, I have listed a variety of rulings and other resources related to churches. For many, I have provided hyperlinks (blue/underlined); 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 modern life.

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