



Communication Audit Services

Why a Consultant



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Why Use a Consultant

- Reduce the management burden of cumbersome application process
- Ensure compliance with constantly changing rules & regulations
- Routers and Controllers
- Support in the event of audit or appeal
- Ensure that all eligible goods and services are in application
- Discount rate maximization
- Related services such as consortia purchasing



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CAS Reduces Application Burden

- Files all E-Rate forms including 470, 471, 486, 500, BEAR , others as deemed necessary
- Answers all PIA questions
- Manages audits and reviews
- Files RALs and appeals
- Designates reimbursement methods with vendors
- Creates RFPs



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CAS Ensures Legal Compliance

- All consultants attend yearly USAC training
- Consultants regularly participate in conference calls and webinars with USAC, vendors, and state officials
- CAS participates in many professional associations to gain a better understanding of the issues facing applicants and how they may be incorporated into E-Rate planning & strategy



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CAS Manages Audits

- CAS will be physically present for any on-site audit
- As part of engagement will manage audits of all past applications
- Guaranteed support for the lifetime of any application filed
- Represents clients with USAC, the FCC and outside auditors
- Writes and files appeals with both USAC and the FCC



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CAS Maximizes Discount Rate

- Review Free and Reduced Eligibility numbers with Child Nutrition Staff
- Experts in alternative methods of discount calculation including;
 - Surveys
 - Sibling-Matching
 - CEP
 - Financial Aid Forms
 - Combining Methods



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CAS' Purchasing Expertise

- Work closely with the USETPA (www.usetpa.org) to ensure lowest possible prices
- USETPA Form 470 available to all clients to potentially streamline bidding process
- Works with state and other regional consortia as dictated by applicant needs



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- National full service consultancy with clients in 23 states
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