

RADIO ROUNDUP

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GET HELP WITH YOUR TAXES

IF, LIKE MOST TAXPAYERS, YOU HIRE A PROFESSIONAL TO HELP YOU FILE YOUR RETURN, THERE ARE SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND. FIRST, CHECK THAT THE PREPARER HAS AN I-R-S PREPARER TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER. NEXT, FIND OUT THE COST UP FRONT. AVOID PREPARERS WHO BASE THEIR FEES ON A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR REFUND. MAKE SURE ANY REFUND DUE GOES TO YOU, NOT THE PREPARER. ASK THAT YOUR RETURN BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY. IT'S THE SAFEST AND MOST ACCURATE WAY TO FILE. MAKE SURE THE PREPARER WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER YOU FILE IN CASE ANYTHING COMES UP. ASK IF THE TAX PREPARER IS AN ENROLLED AGENT. THESE ARE THE ONLY FEDERALLY LICENSED TAX PRACTITIONERS WHO SPECIALIZE IN TAXES AND HAVE UNLIMITED RIGHTS TO REPRESENT TAXPAYERS BEFORE THE I-R-S. THEY HAVE STRICT ETHICAL STANDARDS AND TAKE CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES. TAX LAW CAN BE COMPLEX. ENROLLED AGENTS MAKE SURE THEIR CLIENTS GET ALL THE CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS TO WHICH THEY'RE ENTITLED. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ENROLLED AGENTS, INCLUDING HOW TO FIND ONE NEARBY, GO TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ENROLLED AGENTS WEBSITE AT E-A-TAX--DOT--ORG.