## **STEP 10: Questions and Answers**

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This is the tenth in a series of messages written especially for people new to the "861 evidence." This follows **Step 9: Taxable for Whom?** The various documents referred to in the discussions are hyperlinked (**blue letters**) to the Internet so that you can see the words for yourself. Where the law is quoted, all emphasis has been added.

- The **BLUE** links take you to the documents on the **Internet**; when finished reading, hit the "back" button to return to the discussion.
- **ALL** the messages in this series can be found linked through the following website: <a href="http://www.861.info/pgs/861course.php">http://www.861.info/pgs/861course.php</a>.

Now that you've had a taste of what the 861 evidence is about, does it look like a "scam" to you? (Giving people info for free is an odd "scam," if you ask me.) Did you see anything that looked like someone "protesting" a tax? Whether or not you have decided what you think of it, did the evidence look "patently frivolous" or "nonsensical" to you? Do I look like I'm "cheating," or telling other people to disobey the law?

Hopefully the prior messages have given you enough of an understanding of the issue that you can understand the reason for, and the significance of, the six questions found at this link:

## <u>6 Questions</u>

But there is one thing that evidence alone cannot give you: the courage to ask the questions. That may sound silly, but most people, whether because of intimidation or fear of looking stupid, are often reluctant to ask questions of the so-called "experts," and are especially hesitant to **DISAGREE** with a self- proclaimed "expert." People tend to think themselves unqualified to even **DISCUSS** an issue with someone who is supposed to be well-versed in that issue.

For example, a lot of patients wouldn't dare to challenge a prognosis, or suggested remedy, given to them by a medical doctor. After all, he has the white coat and the plaque on the wall, so what could **YOU** possibly know that makes you fit to even **DISCUSS** the issue with him? And if your doctor (or your **CPA**) responds to your comments or questions with "that's ridiculous," how many of us have the confidence to stand up to them? Suppose you ask your **CPA** those questions, and he responds with "oh, that's a tax fraud scheme I've heard of; it's frivolous and it will get you in trouble." **Will that be good enough for you?** Would such an assertion make you **forget** all of what we have just seen?

You now have seen evidence <u>from the government's own law books</u> which your CPA and attorney **HAVE NOT SEEN** (ask them if you don't believe me), and which they did **NOT** take into consideration before reaching their conclusion about who owes the tax. You have the evidence, and they have the credentials. Which matters more?

Let's take a quick look at how various people have responded to questions such as those shown at the link above, and see if their answers leave you satisfied.

1) Several hundred **DIFFERENT** H&R Block offices across the country were asked **ONE** question: do they use Section 861 and its regulations (in addition to any other pertinent sections) to determine the taxable domestic income of their clients?

**NONE** of the offices answered the question. When someone **called** H&R Block headquarters, he was told by one of their attorneys that is it the "policy" of H&R Block **NOT TO ANSWER** such a question. Huh? They want you to pay good money for them to determine what you owe, but they refuse to say **HOW** they do it? Am I just paranoid, or is that a little weird?

(Former employees of H&R Block have told me that they do **NOT** reference 861 or its regulations at all, and are **NOT** trained in that part of the law. So why wouldn't H&R Block just say "no, we don't usually use those sections"?)

- 2) In a speech, the current Commissioner of the IRS stated that the IRS must help people **UNDERSTAND** their tax obligations. Several days later, there were over 1,200 letters in his office, from people across the country, asking him to please answer the six questions shown at the link above, so that those people could properly determine what (if anything) they owe. No answers were ever received.
- 3) Probably in response to the letters to Mr. Everson, the IRS sent out hundreds (if not thousands) of copies of a form letter, to most of those who had asked the questions. The form letter didn't even **MENTION** 861, or taxable income, or the questions, or even the fact that any questions had been asked. The letter instead **warns** that some people tell others to break the law, and that following their advice can get you in trouble. The letter ends by saying that the **IRS WILL NOT RESPOND** to future correspondence about the issue. (This angered more than a few people, who admitted to not **KNOWING** the correct answers, and were a bit miffed at being accused of "arguing" something "frivolous.")
- **4)** We have asked similar questions of many other government officials, including Charles Rossotti, former IRS Commissioner (who called the issue "stupid"... and then **refused to answer the questions**); Eileen O'Connor, head of the Tax Division of the DOJ (who called the issue a "patently frivolous scheme"... and then **refused to answer the questions**); Jim South, who headed a special team to deal with people raising the 861 evidence... who refused to answer the questions; IRS Chief Counsel attorneys **SPECIALIZING** in Subchapter N, Section 861 and following, who **refused to answer the questions**; and my personal favorite:

Pamela Olson, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, said the following in a speech:

"The government often loses touch with the needs and concerns of the citizenry. The IRS is no exception. For example, taxpayers need to know up-front what their tax paying responsibilities are so they can comply with the law." But when 300 people sent her those six questions, **she ignored them**. When three hundred **MORE** people asked them again, and many called her office, **she ignored them all**... and then resigned.

- 5) After a DOJ attorney called my "Theft By Deception" video a "get rich scheme" in a court filing, I offered to donate every penny I have ever made from sales of the video to the Treasury, and promise to never again sell **ANYTHING** related to taxes, if I could interview three IRS attorneys of their choice on camera for two hours to ask questions about how to determine taxable income. **They ignored the offer.**
- 6) One IRS letter responded to the questions by saying that any answer the IRS could give "could be construed to support arguments that the tax laws of this country do not apply to the questioner or his/her income." (Think about that statement for a while, and see if it strikes you as an amazing thing to say.)

This pattern of refusal to answer has been going on, nationwide, top to bottom in the IRS and DOJ, for **SIX YEARS** now. So ask yourself:

- Are the questions reasonable?
- Were the responses reasonable?
- Shouldn't the questions be easy to answer?

And of course:

• WHY haven't the questions *ever* been answered?

There will only be two more messages in this series, and I will end this one with a twist.

Most Americans fear the IRS. Standing up to "authority" makes most people uncomfortable. People don't want to make waves, and don't want trouble. They want to "get by," and take the safe road. They don't want to put themselves at risk. They don't even want to tell the truth, or even KNOW the truth, if it means they must go against the tide.

## And that is why tyranny happens.

Sincerely,

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