

**Client Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Appletree & Kern, PC**  
**2020 Tax Organizer Checklist**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Did your marital status change during the year? Yes    No  
If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Did your address, phone number or e-mail address change from last year? Yes    No

If yes, provide new address and date of move:  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Relocation \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Could you be claimed as a dependent on another person's tax return for 2020? Yes    No

Did you celebrate marriage to a same-sex spouse in a state that legally recognizes same-sex marriage? Yes    No

At any time in 2020, did you receive, sell, send, exchange, or otherwise acquire a financial interest in any virtual currency? Yes    No

Did you receive an Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) from the Internal Revenue Service or have you been a victim of identity theft? If yes, provide a copy of the IRS letter. Yes    No

**COVID-19 INFORMATION**

Did you receive Economic Impact Payments (EIP) in 2020 or early 2021? In 2020, most EIPs were equal to \$1,200 for adults with an extra \$500 per dependent unless limited due to income exceeding certain thresholds based on either your 2018 or 2019 federal income tax returns. In 2021, an additional EIP equal to \$600 per eligible individuals and dependents were scheduled to be paid out subject to income thresholds. **Please provide the amount received in total or go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and select Get My Economic Impact Payment to obtain amount received.**  
2020 Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_

If you were a self-employed individual, did you receive a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan? If so, how much did you receive? **If yes, did you apply for PPP loan forgiveness? How much of the PPP loan was forgiven?**

If you were a self-employed individual, did you receive an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) advance payment? If so, how much did you receive?

If you were a self-employed individual, were you unable to perform your self-employed activities due to Coronavirus related care you needed or your family members needed?

Are you a telecommuting employee that was required to "shelter in place" due to local COVID-19 protocols while working in a state that was not your home state?

**DEPENDENTS**

Were there any changes in dependents for 2020? If yes, please provide a copy of the Social Security card(s) and dates of birth for **NEW** dependents.

Do you have any children under the age of 19 or a full-time student under age 24 with unearned income (e.g., interest, dividends, unemployment compensation) in excess of \$2,200? **If so, please provide Form 1099s.**

Did you pay any expenses related to the adoption of a child during the year? Yes    No

- Provide name, address, and Federal I.D. number of anyone or any company to whom you paid child care during 2020.
- Did a dependent receive an IP PIN from the Internal Revenue Service or been a victim of identity theft? If yes, provide a copy of the IRS letter. Yes    No

**HEALTH CARE INFORMATION**

- Did you have qualifying health care coverage, such as employer-sponsored coverage or government-sponsored coverage (i.e. Medicare/Medicaid) for your family? “Your family” for health care coverage refers to you, your spouse if filing jointly, and anyone you can claim as a dependent. **If yes, please provide any Form(s) 1095-B and/or 1095-C you received.**
- Did you enroll for lower cost Marketplace Coverage through healthcare.gov under the Affordable Care Act? **If yes, please provide any Form(s) 1095-A you received.**
- Contributions to, or distributions from, a health savings account (HSA), medical savings account (MSA), or achieving a better life experience account (ABLE). **Provide 2020 Forms 1099-SA, 1099-Q, 5498-QA or 1099-QA.**
- Health Insurance, Dental Insurance, Vision Insurance and/or Long-Term Care Insurance for self-employed individuals. **Were you and/or your spouse eligible to be covered by another employer’s subsidized or partially subsidized health plan during the year?**

**INCOME**

- Provide all 2020 W-2s.
- Provide all Form 1099-INT/Form 1099-DIV that show interest and dividends earned in 2020.
- Provide business income and expenses if you are self-employed. Was your home used for the business? If you have employees, did you pay health insurance premiums for your employees this year? Did you use your personal vehicle for business purposes?
- Provide 2020 Forms 1099-R relating to pension, IRA, myRA, 401(k), SIMPLE, SEP, life insurance, or annuity distributions. **Were any withdrawals due to a Federally declared disaster or COVID-19? If you received any qualified disaster retirement plan distributions, did you repay any of the distributions in 2020?**
- Provide 2020 Form K-1 for any interest in Partnerships, S Corporations, LLCs, and Trusts.
- Provide summary of rental property income and expenses.
- Provide 2020 Form 1099-SSA if you received social security benefits.
- Provide 2020 Form 1099-G if you received unemployment compensation including any special unemployment benefits or compensation under the Coronavirus Relief Act. If you did not receive a Form 1099G in the mail, you will need to obtain it from the PA UC website at [www.uc.pa.gov](http://www.uc.pa.gov).
- Provide 2020 Form W-2G if you received gambling winnings. **Please also include copies of any Casino “Win/Loss” statements or other form of proof of gambling losses.**
- Did you have any debts cancelled or forgiven? If yes, please provide 2020 Form 1099-C.
- Did you have any foreign income or pay any foreign taxes during the year? Yes    No

**INVESTMENT PURCHASES & SALES, AND NON-BUSINESS DEBT**

- Provide sales price, cost basis, date of purchase and date of sale for any stock or other investments sold during the year. **Provide 2020 Forms 1099-A and/or 1099-B.**
- Provide a copy of any settlement statements for real estate sold, bought or refinanced during 2019. This includes your personal residence. **Provide 2020 Form 1099-S, if applicable.**
- Did you incur any non-business bad debts this year? Yes    No

## RETIREMENT PLANS

- Did you make – or do you want to make – any contributions to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, or other Qualified Plan for 2020? Yes No
- Did you make – or do you want to make – an IRA, Roth IRA or myRA contributions for the 2020 tax year? **Provide all 2020 Forms 5498.** Yes No
- Did you convert a “traditional” IRA to a Roth IRA in 2020? Yes No
- Did you rollover any monies from an account in a Qualified Plan to a Roth account in a Qualified Plan in 2020? Yes No
- In 2020, did you make any qualified charitable distributions directly from your IRA to a qualified charitable organization? If yes, please provide a statement from your investment company showing the date(s), amount(s), and name of qualified charitable organization(s). Yes No
- Did you elect to not take your required minimum distribution from your IRA or any other qualified retirement plan for the 2020 tax year? Yes No

## ENERGY DEDUCTIONS/CREDITS

- Did you purchase a new vehicle that qualifies for the electric or hybrid motor vehicle credit?
- The “Residential Energy Credit” is still now in effect for the 2020 calendar year. Did you make energy efficient improvements to your main home this year? Expenditures must meet certain EnergyStar rated criteria and include: insulation materials; exterior windows and doors; qualified metal roof costs; qualified natural gas, propane or oil furnace or hot water boiler costs; advanced main circulating fan used in a natural gas, propane or oil furnace costs; and solar fuel cell devices. **Please include copies of invoices for qualified purchase(s). If you used this credit in prior years, this credit may not be applicable for 2020.** Please feel free to ask us any questions related to it.

## EDUCATION DEDUCTIONS/CREDITS

- Educator Expenses (Kindergarten through Grade 12 Instructors).
- Student loan interest paid. **Provide 2020 Form 1098-E.**
- Post-secondary (college or other) education expenses for yourself or dependent(s) for tuition, qualified fees, books, supplies, and equipment less any scholarships received. **Please provide 2020 Form 1098-T and any receipts for related expenses.**
- Did you make any contributions to a Section 529 Plan in 2020? **If yes, these are deductible on your Pennsylvania tax return; please provide an end of year investment statement detailing the amount that you contributed, cost basis of account and the FMV of account.**
- Did you make any withdrawals from an education savings or 529 Plan account in the year? **If yes, please provide 2020 Form 1099-Q and cost of room, board, and books/equipment for the year.**
- Would you like a worksheet to aid in the completion of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid(FAFSA) with the U.S. Department of Education? Yes No

## OTHER ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS/TAX CREDITS

- Armed forces moving expenses. Note that moving expenses related to a job change are no longer deductible.
- Did you pay any individual as a household employee during the year?
- Alimony paid or received for divorces that were final before December 31, 2018. Please provide the amount paid or received in 2020. If a pre-2019 divorce agreement was modified in 2019 or 2020, please provide a copy of the modified agreement. Also please provide copy of divorce agreement if divorce was final in 2020 to determine various custodial duties, etc.

- Medical and Dental Expenses paid out of pocket, including long-term health care premiums for yourself or your family. Did you have any medical miles driven in 2020?
- Real Estate Taxes Paid in 2020 for primary or secondary residences. **If you believe that you are eligible for the Pennsylvania Property Tax Rebate Program you will need to provide copies of the real estate tax bills marked paid by your locality or a receipt from your locality detailing the real estate tax bills were paid on your primary residence only.**
- Personal Property Tax(es).
- Did you purchase a vehicle or other “major asset” in 2020? If yes, the sales tax paid on the items may be deductible in 2020. Please provide a copy of the invoices detailing sales tax paid.
- Copies of Form 1098 showing mortgage or home equity loan interest paid during 2020.
- Interest on money borrowed for investment.
- Charitable Contributions
  - Note that for 2020, charitable deductions up to \$300 may be claimed as a deduction from income even if you do not itemize your deductions.
  - Cash contributions under \$250: You must have a bank record (e.g., canceled check) or a written receipt from the charitable organization.
  - For a single cash contribution of \$250 or more: You must have a written receipt from the charitable organization.
  - For non-cash contributions: You must provide to us a signed receipt from the charitable organization. The receipt should include a listing of the items donated and value assigned to the items.
  - Did you have any miles driven on behalf of a charity in 2020? If yes, how many?
  - If you donated a vehicle to a charitable organization, **please provide us with the 2020 Form 1098-C you received.**
- Casualty losses in a Federally Declared Disaster Area? Other personal or theft losses? Note that in 2020, losses not in a Federally Declared Disaster Area are only allowed to the extent of “casualty gains.”

**ESTIMATED TAXES**

- Did you apply an overpayment of 2019 taxes to your 2020 estimated tax (instead of being refunded)? Yes    No
- Estimated Federal Income Tax paid for 2020. Enter dates and amounts paid below or on the attached organizer input sheets.
- Estimated State and Local taxes paid in 2020 (even if for prior year). Enter dates and amounts paid below or on the attached organizer input sheets.
- If you have an overpayment of 2020 taxes, do you want the excess applied to your 2021 estimated tax (instead of being refunded)?
- If you are required to pay estimated taxes for the 2021 tax year, would you like to have those estimated tax payments automatically withdrawn from your bank account? If No, then estimated tax voucher coupons will be provided. Yes    No
- Do you expect your 2021 taxable income and withholdings to be different from 2020? Please explain. Yes    No

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- E-filing is mandatory for both the Federal and State. You may, however, “opt out” of this e-filing requirement by signing an authorization. Do you want to opt out? Yes    No

For identity protection, we recommend that you provide your state driver’s license or identification card information with your electronically filed submission. Please provide a copy of your driver’s license or identification card.

- Would you like your Federal and/or State refund directly deposited into your account? If a balance is due would you like your amount automatically withdrawn from your account? Yes No

If yes, is your bank account information the same as in the prior year? Yes No

If no, please provide the following account information including bank account & routing number:

List the owner(s) of the account

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Type of Account:

- Checking  
 Savings  
 IRA

**Enclose a Voided Check to insure an accurate deposit or debit.**

- Do you, or your spouse, want to contribute \$3 to the Presidential Election Campaign Fund?  
Yes No
- May the IRS discuss your return with your preparer? Yes No
- Were you notified or audited by either the Internal Revenue Service or your State taxing agency?  
Yes No
- Did you receive an Identity Protection PIN from the Internal Revenue Service or have you been a victim of identity theft? If yes, provide a copy of the IRS letter. Yes No
- Do you have a financial interest or account in a foreign country in 2020? **If yes, we will need various information regarding the account.** Please contact us to discuss this.
- Did you, or your spouse, make any gifts to an individual that total more than \$15,000, or any gifts to a trust in 2020? Yes No
- Did you purchase any product or service, except clothing, with an out of state vendor or through the internet, mail, or in person where you were not charged any sales tax? If yes, you will owe Pennsylvania use tax on those items; please provide copies of invoices if available. If you cannot locate any of these invoices, please discuss this with us.

**NEW CLIENTS**

- Provide a copy of your 2019 Federal, State and City Individual Income Tax Returns
- Provide a copy of your social security card(s).
- Did you purchase a personal residence and receive a homebuyer credit in 2008? If yes, please provide a copy of your 2008 Federal tax return if available.

Signature(s):

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