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Meet Your Presenter



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**MY DAUGHTER ASKED ME WHAT
TAXES ARE LIKE**

**AND SO SHE COULD UNDERSTAND I WENT TO
THE KITCHEN AND ATE 46% OF HER COOKIES.**

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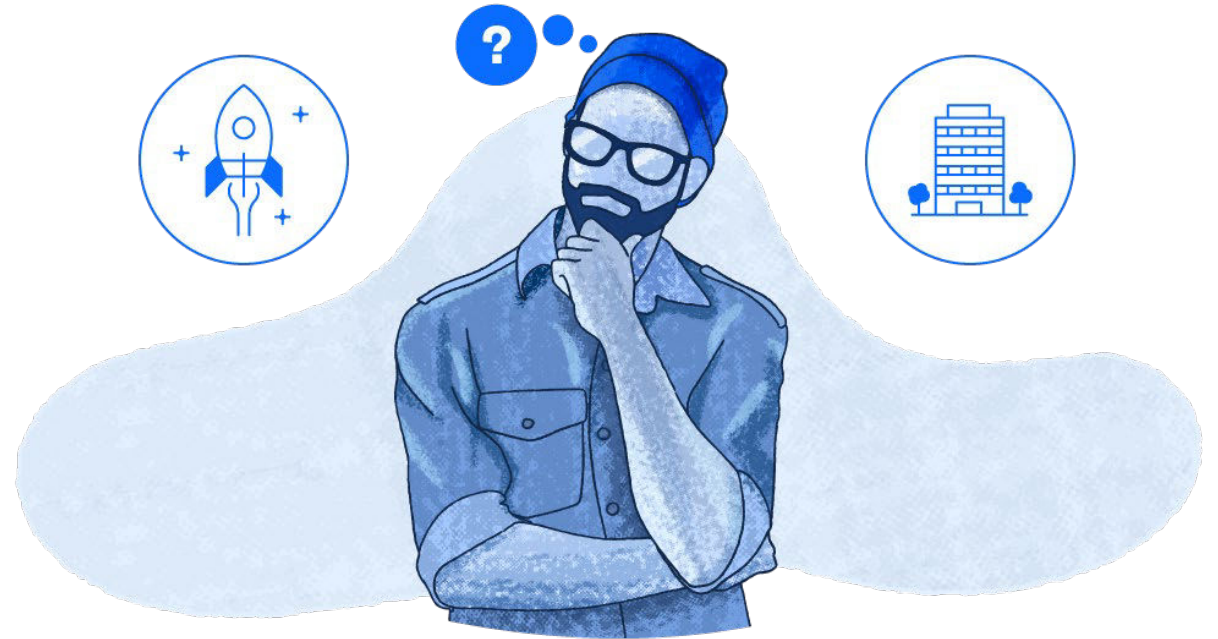
Business Is A Maze



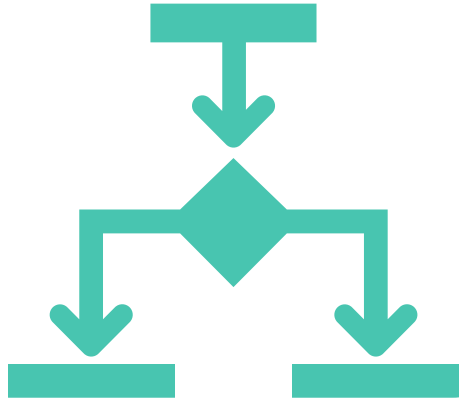
How do you navigate tax and accounting issues?

Which One Are You?

- + Start up?
- + Maturing company?
- + Contemplating a new business?
- + Ready to exit?



Entity Structure Matters



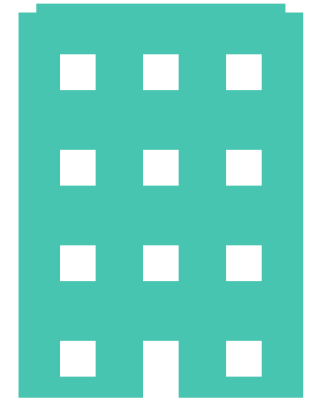
Sole Proprietor
(least
administrative)



Limited Liability
Company (most
flexible)



S Corporation (good
tax savings,
restrictive)



C Corporation
(flexible but
potential double tax)

One Big Beautiful Bill Act

- ✓ Advising on new provisions of the bill
- ✓ Qualified Small Business Stock
- ✓ Benefits S Corps and LLCs
- ✓ Tips/Overtime Reporting
- ✓ Research Expenses
- ✓ Bonus Depreciation

Right Advisors Matters

- + Accounting: Complex accounting issues around debt vs. equity
- + Accounting: Are your books ready for an audit/review?
- + Tax: Who gets taxed and when on profits/losses
- + Tax: What happens when you want to exit?

Financing

Friends/Family

Informal Debt Arrangements

Convertible Debt/SAFE

Lease or Finance Capital Improvements?

Monetizing Tax Incentives



- + Work Opportunity Tax Credits
- + Social Security Wages Tip Credits (mainly companies with tips)
- + State-Level Credits
- + R&D Credits (potential to monetize R&D credits as payroll tax credits)

Start-Up Company Issues

- + Accounting issues may not be basic
- + What accounting system do you use?
- + Accounting for debt or equity can be complex
- + Generally not ready for an audited or reviewed financial statement



Other Tax Considerations



- + Warehouse in a new state?
- + Employees in a new state?
- + Selling into a new state?
- + Tax Considerations:
 - Payroll Taxes
 - Income Taxes
 - Sales Tax (this is easy a top 5 way to kill a future sale)

Maturing Company

Moving
employees or
selling into a
foreign
country?

U.S. filing
requirements
for foreign
activity

Foreign filing
requirements

Maturing Company

Going from
losses to
profits

Entity
structure
matters

Advice on managing prior
year losses:

- C Corporation might have prior losses. Can you use them against future income? (aka 382 limitations)
- LLC or S Corp? if so, how do your prior losses affect future income?

Maturing Company

Audited or reviewed financial statements may be necessary

Requires getting your books audit ready

Audits/Reviews are expensive but may be required:

- Investor
- Bank

Maturing Company

Acquiring another business?

- Complex acquisition accounting

- Due diligence
 - Financials
 - Accounting
 - Tax
- Valuations

You would never buy a house without at least one inspection!

Due Diligence may seem expensive but not doing it could be far more expensive in the future

Exit



- + Selling your business?
- + All past decisions will impact your sale
- + Asset sale
 - Selling a portion or all of your business assets, Any gain on the sale is an entity level gain, C Corporations: can you offset your gain with prior losses (382 limitations)
- + Stock sale
 - Investor/shareholder-level gain
 - C Corporation: Qualified Small Business Stock?



Thank you! Questions?

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