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IRS Issues Guidance Deducting Meals Bought During Entertainment



As a small business owner, can you deduct for federal income tax purposes the costs of taking a customer or business contact out to a baseball game and buying hot dogs and drinks? The IRS just issued guidance answering that question. This article explains how these types of entertainment and meal expenses have changed under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

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Has a credit reporting agency ever charged you a fee to "freeze" your accounts after a security breach? It sounds like double jeopardy, right? Fortunately, a new law no longer allows this to happen. Here's how you can take advantage of the new consumer-protection rules that recently took effect under the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act.

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Daylight Saving Time



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7 Year-End Tax Planning Moves for Small Businesses

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What can small business owners do before year end to lower their tax bills? That question is top of mind every autumn, but the answers may be less familiar (and possibly more complicated) under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. This article updates some tried-and-true tax strategies to account for the tax law changes that went into effect this year. Copyright © 2018

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Evaluating a 401(k) Plan for Your Business

Before establishing a 401(k) plan for your company, it's a good idea to have an understanding of what a plan involves, including its limits. Keep reading for some of the basics of this type of plan.



Family Strategies

The Kiddie Tax: How Children Are Taxed



It's important to know how money that your child receives will be taxed, whether it's in the form payment for services, the sale of goods, or interest earned. In some situations, special rules apply, and they can be complex. Here's a basic rundown of the various rules that apply to money received by minor children and students up to 23 years old who don't fully support themselves. Copyright © 2018

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