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What is an ENROLLED AGENT?

An ENROLLED AGENT (EA) is a Federally-licensed tax practitioner who is authorized to represent taxpayers before the Internal Revenue Service with issues such as collections, audits and appeals, as sanctioned by the **Department Of The Treasury's Circular 230** regulations. In addition, EAs are granted unlimited practice rights to represent taxpayers before the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

The ENROLLED AGENT'S status is the highest credential awarded by the IRS. In addition, an EA's credentials are recognized across all 50 states. Historically, ENROLLED AGENTS were created to represent all taxpayers in front of the IRS since 1884, at which time Congress enabled EAs with the power to advocate the preparation of claims against the government.

ENROLLED AGENTS are required to demonstrate to the IRS their competence in **ALL** areas of taxation, unlike other tax professionals such as attorneys and CPAs (Certified Public Accountants), who are State-licensed and may or may not choose to specialize in taxation.

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