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## **Tax Business Owners' Peer Support Group Tops 7,000 Members**

In 2009 Chuck McCabe, founder and CEO of Peoples Income Tax and The Income Tax School, formed the LinkedIn group, Tax Business Owners of America (TBOA), as a forum for fellow tax entrepreneurs to share ideas and best practices. TBOA has filled a need for tax business owners to garner peer support without viewing one-another as competitors. This need has been affirmed over the years by a steady flow of new members. This month, TBOA reached a milestone of 7,000 members representing all 50 states in the U.S. and 67 other countries.

McCabe, who has managed hundreds of tax offices employing thousands of tax preparers during his 45+ year tax industry career, has helped hundreds of independent tax business owners adopt proven best practices without buying into an expensive franchise. In 2013 and 2014 Accounting Today named McCabe among the Top 100 Most Influential People in Accounting, citing the following reason: *“As a veteran in the tax preparation industry, McCabe had the vision to offer support to other tax business owners who opt to remain independent by providing them with tax education and business skills so they can be successful on their own.”*

The following are several of the comments posted by TBOA members about the 7,000 member milestone:

*“Great site. Excellent input from members. May we continue to grow. Strength in numbers!”*

Gary A. Fox, CPA

*“I tend to lurk more than I participate, but I get a great deal of information from these discussions - great group! Those who are “regulars” should know that your questions and responses are helping many more people than those directly involved.”*

Bill Paul, Owner, Bill Paul Bookkeeping & Tax Service

*“I learn so much from networking with other professionals. These discussion chains are a great source of answers & ‘brain picking’.”*

Sandra J Brooks, EA, Enrolled Agent

*“Congratulations. I have enjoyed the discussions within this group. Thanks to everyone who posts and answers questions as we all learn from the experience.”*

Veronica Marelli, Enrolled Agent & Certified Tax Resolution Specialist

Tax business owners and tax industry executives may find a description of the Tax Business Owners of America LinkedIn group and apply for membership in at the following link.

<http://www.theincometaxschool.com/build-your-tax-business/tax-business-owners-of-america/>

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**About The Income Tax School and Peoples Tax**

The Income Tax School (ITS) was formed in 1989 as a division of Peoples Income Tax, Inc. which was founded in 1987 by Chuck McCabe who serves as President and CEO. ITS is certified by the State Education Council for Virginia (SCHEV) as a proprietary career school. ITS provides Continuing Professional Education (CPE) for CPAs as a NASBA sponsor and for Enrolled Agents (EAs) as an IRS-Approved Continuing Education (CE) Provider. ITS student texts, and instructor guides are used by tax and accounting firms to provide in-house training. Many colleges also offer ITS online tax courses. ITS also offers Qualifying Courses for California and Oregon tax preparers. Complete information about The Income Tax School and their course offerings can be found on the school's website: <http://www.theincometaxschool.com>