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Tax preparers with representation experience prove especially helpful in 2023

The IRS will be re-sending balance due notices this summer, tax pros with designations can represent their clients who receive notices

APPLETON, Wis. (May 25, 2023) – The IRS is expected to begin re-sending balance-due notices to taxpayers in May 2023, and tax preparers who hold certain designations have a unique opportunity to respond to the notices on behalf of their clients. Recognizing this, the National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP) recently hosted a [virtual discussion with two tax representation experts](#) to emphasize the importance of earning an enrolled agent designation and how tax preparers can enhance their services.

The Taxes Today virtual roundtable featured Eric Green, Esq., and Jason Daughtry, EA, who shared their insights on the benefits of earning an enrolled agent designation, preparer due diligence audits and how practitioners can start offering IRS representation services in their business. The event was aimed at preparers who do not hold a designation but are interested in learning more about the opportunities it presents.

NATP's Director of Tax Content and Government Relations, Tom O'Saben, highlighted the shift in the tax preparation industry as more clients will require additional services beyond simple tax preparation. "Earning an enrolled agent designation or an AFSP – Record of Completion is a great way to future-proof your career as the need for tax planning and representation services expands into the digital age with more information than ever before available to the general public," O'Saben said.

Enrolled agents are authorized to represent taxpayers before the IRS. By obtaining this designation, preparers can better serve their clients by addressing complex tax issues and providing representation during audits, appeals and collections.

The virtual roundtable is available for free to watch, offering valuable information for tax preparers looking to expand their skill set and better serve their clients. As the tax landscape continues to evolve, earning an enrolled agent designation is becoming increasingly important for tax professionals who want to stay ahead in the industry.



To speak with someone further about the importance of earning a designation, please contact [Samantha Strong](#) or [Nancy Kasten](#).

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