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## **Top 50 IRS Practitioners of 2008**

he best person to have in your corner when the IRS calls is one of these lawyers. It is now one year since we began extensive editorial coverage of IRS audit representation issues. The landscape is vast. The need is great. We went to our greatest lengths yet to make sure we have the most excellent cast for our Top 50 IRS practitioners. (The most surprising fact of all, after plumbing the depths of what to do when the IRS calls, is how shallow the well really is.)

With the lull in the activity on the IRS audit front, there were relatively few pronounced experts and still fewer resources. The \$345 billion dollar tax gap remains fascinating to Congress and the IRS. It remains a high profile item, despite the fall from grace by ex-IRS commissioner Everson.

The IRS itself has had a few public relations success stories. After releasing the tax records on their most famous tax case which imprisoned Al Capone, they inadvertently nabbed the Governor of New York allegedly spending thousands of dollars for what they least expected. From Will Smith, to Wesley Snipes to Nicholas Cage, IRS audits are on the rise, and are expected to continue for the next five years. The number of audits may never subside to levels of the past eight years. So, gentlemen start your engines. If IRS representation is not an expertise of yours, contact one of the Top 50.



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