Reporting an Exempt Organization – Form 13909

The IRS gives serious consideration to complaints made alleging the abuse of the tax-exempt status granted to certain organizations.

When reviewing filed complaints, the IRS carefully follows special procedures designed to assure the public of the IRS’s objectivity in the treatment of tax-exempt organizations. These procedures ensure that the IRS operates in an unbiased and appropriate manner and that its compliance programs are not improperly influenced by outside intervention.

The responsibility for administering these procedures belongs to the Exempt Organizations (EO) function, which is part of the IRS’s Tax-Exempt and Government Entities Operating Division.

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The reporting form is readily available to the public, frequently on the Internet. While it is intended for reporting to the IRS, consumers have been known to complete the form (anonymously) and send it to elected officials and the news media in hopes of triggering an investigation.

Below is an excerpt of the two-page form. Visit IRS.gov for more information and be sure to reply on legal and accounting counsel.