Sample WTR Workshop

What this Workshop Won't Do

- help fill out your tax forms -- we're not H&R Block
- explore ways to legally reduce taxes
- tips on how to fudge, cheat, employ gimmicks to get out of taxes

5 Myths about WTR

- #1 Myth: you'll go to jail
- it's "all or nothing"
- it's too complicated and requires a lifestyle change
- resisters don't pay their fair share
- if the IRS ultimately collects, you've failed

First Step: Why Resist?

None of us wants our money to pay for war, but how we refuse to pay depends on **motivations**, **personal circumstances**, and willingness to **take chances**

- 1) sever ties to military and wars
- 2) agitate and escalate protest
- 3) reduce military spending & reroute taxes

For some, living below the taxable level does the trick

For others, that's not good enough

3 Strategies

- refusal -- telephone, don't file or pay, off-the-books, anonymous
- resistance -- public, confrontational, token -- the amount of resisted is secondary to the act of resistance
- avoidance -- under taxable, don't file but pay, maximize legal deductions NOTE: while all resisters are refusers, not all refusers are resisters

How To — The 5-Step Method

(depending on motivations)

1st: identify which taxes

2nd: must **owe** taxes (if below taxable, could inflate income)

3rd: file or not file?

4th: **how much** to refuse?

5th: **reroute** taxes to emphasize that it's *what* the taxes pay for

bottom line: refuse something, even if small

Consequences

- 1) interest & penalties
- 2) letters & notices
- 3) bank levy
- 4) lien to hurt credit rating
- 5) salary seizure or "lock-in letter"

Resist a small amount to minimize consequences

If the going gets too rough, could always stop

unlikely:

- 6) "frivolous" fine
- 7) car / house / jail

Considerations

- IRS promotes and traffics in fear
- statute of limitations
- whatever govt. can do to you, not as bad as what they are doing to others
- WTR is an **opportunity**
- IRS less interested in money than cooperation -- they hate open resistance

The Next Step: Resisting Collection

- become independent contractor
- no interest bank account
- joint account with another's SS
- transfer titles of property
- reduce salary or quit job

Resources & Support

War Tax Resistance and other literature "Death & Taxes"
More Than a Paycheck
www.nwtrcc.org

Closing Thought

Zombie WTR