

Webinar on

# Employee vs. Contractor: How to Tell the Difference and Why It's Important

### **Learning Objectives**

- The three factors the IRS looks at in determining if someone is a contractor or an employee
  - The 20-point "common law" test for determining contractor vs. employee
- The reporting implications of employee vs. contractor, such as 1099 vs. W-2, payroll taxes, etc., including a discussion of the new Form 1099-NEC
- Discuss what happens if the IRS re-classifies contractors as employees
- Relief under Section 530 for IRS reclassification
- Relief under Section 3509
- The Voluntary Classification Settlement Program



This webinar will demonstrate how to tell the difference between a contractor and an employee, and the types of relief available in a reclassification audit.

#### **PRESENTED BY:**

Jason Dinesen is the President of Dinesen Tax & Accounting, P.C., a public accounting firm in Indianola, Iowa. His practice focuses on tax and accounting services for small businesses and individuals. Dinesen has extensive experience working with a third-party administrator of retirement plans and is a prior presenter of multiple 1099 seminars.

**On-Demand Webinar** 

**Duration: 60 Minutes** 

Price: \$200



## **Webinar Description**

This webinar will cover all aspects of employee vs. contractor, including how to tell the difference, and what to do in an IRS audit. We will discuss the IRS's 3-factor test for determining if someone is a contractor or an employee, and the older 20-factor "common law" test that IRS auditors can still reference. We will cover the Form SS-8, where a worker can file a Form SS-8 with the IRS to determine if the worker is a contractor or an employee, and what an employer should do if a worker files and SS-8.

Three options are available for businesses caught in a reclassification audit: Section 530 Relief, which provides a safe harbor where the IRS is prohibited from retroactively reclassifying workers; Section 3509 Relief, where the IRS retroactively reclassifies workers but a business can get some relief for back payroll taxes owed; and the Voluntary Classification Settlement Program, where a business voluntarily reclassifies workers before an IRS audit. Each of these options has requirements and cautions, which we will cover.

We will also cover the new Form 1099-NEC, new for 2020, for reporting contract labor payments.



#### **Who Should Attend?**

HR professionals, payroll professionals, office managers, bookkeepers, CFOs, accountants, managers.



# Why Should You Attend?

The IRS has released a new version of the Form W-4 for determining employee tax withholdings. This new form is required for use by any new hire after January 1, 2020, and for any current employee with an old W-4 on file but who wants to update their withholding in 2020 or beyond. Unless existing employees want to change their withholding, they can continue to keep their old-version Form W-4 on file. This means there are two methods for determining employee withholding. We will talk about those methods and all the Form W-4 changes in this webinar. We will also discuss key numbers for 2020, and changes to the Form 1099-MISC relating to contractors, including the release of a new form called Form 1099-NFC.



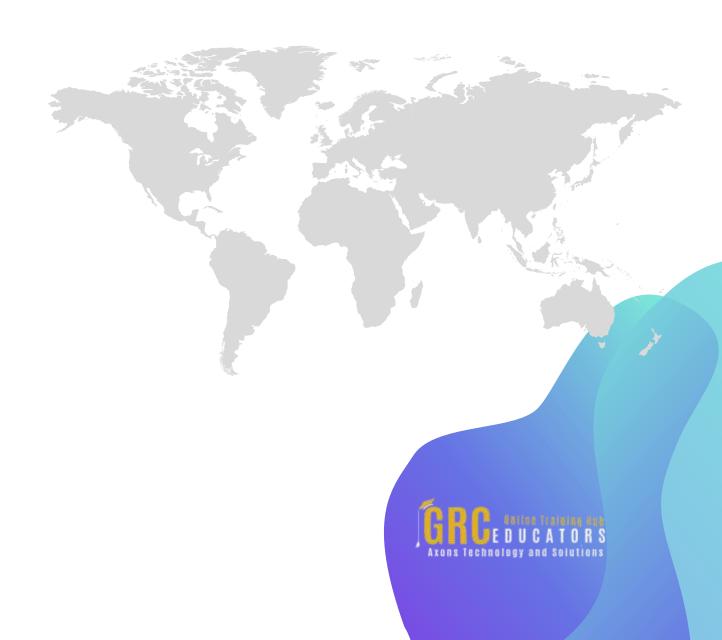
# Why Should You Attend?

At the conclusion of the webinar, participants will be able to explain the difference between a contractor and an employee, and why it is important to know the difference. We will cover the 3-factor test the IRS uses for determining if someone is a contractor or an employee, as well as the older 20-factor test. We will discuss what happens if the IRS re-classifies a contractor as an employee, and the possible relief available (called "Section 530" relief). We will also discuss the new Form 1099-NEC for reporting contract-labor pay.



# **Topic Background**

If the IRS reclassifies your contractors as employees, it can be financially devastating for your business. This webinar will demonstrate how to tell the difference between a contractor and an employee, and the types of relief available in a reclassification audit.





To register please visit:

www.grceducators.com support@grceducators.com 740 870 0321