

High Value Tax Attributes and Deductions: What Happens If the IRS Asks for Proof?

The IRS isn't asking if your deductions are smart. They're asking if you can prove them.

You've claimed cost seg, 1031s, R&D, and energy credits. But when the IRS knocks, it's not the numbers they'll challenge—it's the **lack of contemporaneous documentation**.

They'll say: **"Show me you were involved. Show me this wasn't passive. Show me when this happened."**
If you can't, the deduction disappears. Period.

What They Want to See (And What You Might Be Missing)

1. Active Participation (Cost Segregation)

- Site visit notes, time-stamped
- Decisions, not just delegation

2. Material Involvement (1031 Exchanges)

- Evidence *you* selected properties
- Proof of tours, evaluations, direction

3. Technological Uncertainty (R&D tax credits)

- Real-time notes showing iteration
- Not "we were innovative"—but **when**, and **how**

4. Bonus Depreciation or 179 Expensing

- Walkthroughs, upgrade documentation
- Contractor meetings, compliance steps

The IRS Wants Timing. MID Delivers It.


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- Active Participation/Bonus Depreciation - "Walked property with HVAC crew"
- Material Involvement in 1031 Exchange - "Identified 3 replacement properties"
- Technological Uncertainty - "Alloy welds failed at 220°C — retrying composite."


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