



FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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JTH Tax, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Tax Service offers a franchise program to operate tax return preparation offices utilizing special marketing techniques and operating procedures.

The typical total investment necessary to begin operation of a Liberty Tax office is \$57,800 - \$71,900. This includes the initial or resale franchise fee that you must pay to us, which is typically \$40,000. In certain instances, the initial and resale franchise fee may be less depending on a variety of factors, including the demographics of the territory based on data provided from the last United States census as adjusted by available post census data or information. If you receive financing, you will be required to submit up to a \$25,000 deposit for your operational expenses as outlined in Item 7 ("Operational Supply Deposit"). The Operational Supply Deposit will be held and made available for return to you after closing upon your written request to Liberty with substantiation as to the expenses to be paid by you with the Operational Supply Deposit.

The disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no government agency has verified the information contained in this document.**

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract to an advisor, such as a lawyer or accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit F for information about the franchisor, about other franchisors, or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise.

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY LITIGATION ONLY IN VIRGINIA. OUT-OF-STATE LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO LITIGATE WITH US IN VIRGINIA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT VIRGINIA LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. YOU AND WE AGREE TO WAIVE OUR RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL AND INSTEAD HAVE ANY LAWSUITS BETWEEN US DECIDED BY A JUDGE.
- 4. WE RETAIN THE RIGHT TO DISTRIBUTE SIMILAR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES AS THOSE OFFERED HERE, BY MEANS OTHER THAN RETAIL OR STOREFRONT LOCATIONS, IN YOUR TERRITORY.
- 5. CONTINUATION OF YOUR RIGHTS TO BE A FRANCHISEE DEPENDS UPON YOUR ABILITY TO PREPARE 1000 FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURNS IN YOUR FIFTH AND EACH SUBSEQUENT TAX SEASON.

THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THE FRANCHISE.

We use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

California	Exempt
Hawaii	May 7, 2014
Illinois	Exempt
Indiana	Exempt
Maryland	Exempt
Michigan	June 6, 2013
Minnesota	Pending
New York	Exempt
North Dakota	Exempt
Rhode Island	Exempt
South Dakota	October 2, 2013
Virginia	Exempt
Washington	Pending
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Wisconsin

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