

**2012 Withholding Tax Information Authorization**

Obtain additional information or assistance by calling one of the numbers listed below:

Phoenix	(602) 255-2060
From area codes 520 and 928, toll-free	(800) 843-7196
Hearing impaired TDD user	
Phoenix	(602) 542-4021
From area codes 520 and 928, toll-free	(800) 397-0256

Obtain tax rulings, tax procedures, tax forms and instructions, and other tax information by accessing the department's Internet home page at [www.azdor.gov](http://www.azdor.gov).

**General Instructions**

**Purpose of Form**

A taxpayer may use Form 821 to authorize any individual, corporation, firm, organization, or partnership to inspect and/or receive confidential Arizona withholding tax information for the years or periods listed on the form.

If a taxpayer wants an individual to inspect and/or receive information for tax types other than withholding, or to perform other acts on the taxpayer's behalf, the taxpayer may not use Form 821. They taxpayer must use Arizona Form 285, *General Disclosure/Representation Authorization Form*, or other comparable form. Only an individual may be designated as a representative under a *General Disclosure/Representation Authorization Form*.

**Filing Instructions**

If the taxpayer is working with a specific section or employee at the department, the taxpayer should mail Form 821 to that section or employee. Otherwise, the taxpayer should mail Form 821 to:

Arizona Department of Revenue  
Taxpayer Information and Assistance  
PO BOX 29086  
Phoenix, AZ 85038-9086

The taxpayer may file an original, a photocopy, or a facsimile transmission (Fax) of Form 821, *Withholding Tax Information Authorization*.

**Specific Instructions**

**Section 1 - Taxpayer Information**

**Individuals** - enter your name, address, and your EIN.

**Corporations, partnerships, or associations** - enter the name, business address, and the EIN of the business.

**Trusts** - enter the name, title, and address of the trustee, as well as the EIN of the trust.

**Estates** - enter the name, title, and address of the decedent's executor/personal representative as well as the EIN of the estate.

**Section 2 - Appointee Information**

Enter the name of your appointee. For an appointee ID, please provide the appointee's SSN, CPA number, State Bar number,

Alternative Preparer Tax Identification Number, EIN, or other ID number.

**Section 3 - Authorization**

The appointee may only be authorized to inspect and/or receive Arizona withholding tax information. Enter the years or periods for which the authorization is granted.

Any tax year(s) or period(s) that have ended as of the date a withholding tax information authorization is signed may be listed. The number of future tax years or periods that will be accepted is limited to tax years or periods that end no later than four years after the date the withholding tax information authorization is signed.

A general reference to "all years" or "all periods" will be accepted as applying only to tax years (periods) ending prior to the date the withholding tax information authorization is signed. A general reference to "all future years" will be subject to the four-year limitation.

**Section 4 - Retention/Revocation of Withholding Tax Information Authorization**

A new withholding tax information authorization will revoke a prior withholding tax information authorization if it is granted by the taxpayer to another appointee for the same years or periods covered by this document.

If there is any existing withholding tax information authorization you do not want to revoke, check the box on this line, and attach a copy of the withholding tax information authorization.

A taxpayer may revoke a withholding tax information authorization without authorizing a new appointee by filing a statement of revocation with the department. The statement of revocation must indicate that the authority of the previous withholding tax information authorization is revoked and must be signed by the taxpayer. Also, the name and address of each appointee whose authority is revoked must be listed (or a copy of the withholding tax information authorization to be revoked must be attached and marked "revoked").

**The filing of a Form 821 will not revoke any Arizona Form 285, or other power of attorney, that is in effect.**

**Section 5 - Signature of Taxpayer**

Type of Entity	Who must sign
Individuals	The individual/sole proprietor must sign.
Corporations	A principal corporate officer within the meaning of ARS § 42-2003(A)(2) or a person designated by a principal corporate officer must sign.
Partnerships & Ltd Partnerships	A partner having authority to act in the name of the partnership must sign.
Trusts	A Trustee must sign.
Estates	An Executor/Executrix or the personal representative must sign.
Limited Liability Companies	A member having authority to act in the name of the company must sign.