

legal terms. To prevent delay in processing and to avoid mistakes in answering these questions, you should consult with an attorney.

Upon a favorable determination by the Internal Revenue Service, based upon the information submitted on Form 1023, your foundation will receive a letter recognizing the tax-exempt status of your foundation. This letter is extremely valuable and, depending on local law, might be used to obtain exemption from State Unemployment Tax, some state sales taxes and other state and local taxes and regulations. The presentation of the federal Treasury letter is the best evidence to be used in such proceedings. This letter will also be of possible use in obtaining advantageous prices or services from private sources, such as discounts from major retail firms, possible savings in book stores or from publishers, and may also be useful in other legal proceedings as bona fide evidence of tax-exempt status recognized by all. At the top of each letter of determination issued by the Treasury Department, there is a code number. This is the so-called "tax exemption number" that some people may mention. This number might be used to some advantage in correspondence with state or federal government agencies who may be concerned with your foundation's activities. The value