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The Current Tax Problem:

The current tax code has grown over time to be so....overwhelming that no normal, average American citizen can even attempt to understand it. To give you a taste of how bad it is, call the Internal Revenue Service and ask for help sometime. You will be greeted by a pleasant person who will pass you around to a specialist group or two, and finally they will take you name and telephone # only to say they will get back to you within 3 days. And they do, but you will get a list of publications sent for review and little else. These publications must have been written by sadistic accounting morons who were lawyers in a previous life.

I have given up trying to spend hours and hours understanding capital gains, deductions, earned income credits, SEP transfers etc.....So, guess what, I have to hire an accountant to do my taxes and that is expensive, and in my case not even deductible.

I guess what I am saying is that no average American should have to hire an accountant for any of this. The IRS will tell you that they have simplified the tax forms, but that's a lot of crap! They are so damned complicated that I challenge you or anyone else to make any sense out of them.