



**WHAT WE DO**

We assist clients in reducing their effective state tax rates through tax planning and available economic development incentives.

Objectives	Services	Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure proper qualification for the credit</li> <li>• Optimize amount of credit</li> <li>• Maximize return on investment</li> <li>• Reduce audit risk associated with state compliance filings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification assistance</li> <li>• Expenditure verification</li> <li>• Federal and state tax compliance</li> <li>• Buy and sell side services with regards to the credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experienced Georgia tax credit associates who were involved in drafting the Tax Entertainment legislation</li> <li>• Tax and investment planning</li> <li>• Risk management</li> <li>• Economic Development incentives</li> </ul>

*Georgia Entertainment Tax Credit*

**What is the Georgia Entertainment Tax Credit?**

- In 2008, the Georgia Legislature enacted legislation that provides up to a 30% credit against Georgia income or withholding taxes for film, television, music, and digital entertainment productions in Georgia

**How can I get my production certified?**

- Productions are certified by the Georgia Department of Economic Development

**What expenditures qualifying for the credit?**

- Expenditures must be incurred in Georgia and directly used in preproduction, production or postproduction of a state certified project and must exceed \$500,000

**Are there any limitations on what expenses can qualify for the credit?**

- Yes, there are specific expenditures that are not qualifying expenditures per the legislation
- Examples include payroll over \$500,000 to one person or an entity owned in part by such person

**How do I claim the credit?**

- In order to claim the credit, a production company must attach Form IT-FC and its certification letter to its Georgia income tax return
- The Georgia Department of Revenue requires additional information be attached with the tax return detailing the credit and employees who worked on the production

**Can the Entertainment Tax Credit be sold?**

- Yes, a production company may make a one-time sale or transfer of film tax credits earned in a given tax year

*CLIENTS WE SERVE*

- Digital entertainment production companies
- Hollywood motion picture studios
- Startup studio and production companies
- Internationally based commercial film studios
- Web based digital entertainment development companies

*Success Stories*

- Helped small start up video gaming company obtain and sell Entertainment Tax Credits that resulted in over \$350,000 cash to the company
- Assisted large Hollywood studio in verification of expenditures per the Georgia legislation for the Entertainment Tax Credit that resulted in an approx. \$3 million dollar sale of credit
- Helped commercial film studio obtain certification of its productions and optimize credit potential through consolidation of productions

*FURTHER INFORMATION*

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