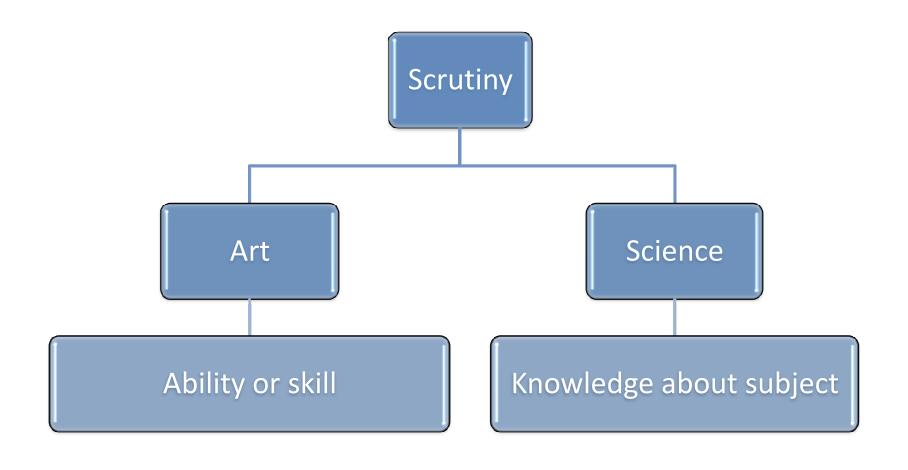
The Art and Science of handling scrutiny cases to go to the next level

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Art



ENTRANCE

A smile confuses an approaching frown.

Don't tell your friends about your indigestion. "How are you" is a greeting, not a question.

Arthur Guiterman

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APPEARANCE



Appearance rules the world

Friedrich Schiller

Clothes and manners do not make the man; but when he is made, they greatly improve his appearance

Arthur Ashe

Mobile manners

Be a good listener

Use of language

Keeping of files

Be effective speaker

Taking along someone

POLITENESS

"To be humble to superiors is duty, to equals courtesy, to inferiors nobleness."

Benjamin Franklin

"Be calm in arguing; for fierceness makes error a fault, and truth discourtesy."

George Herbert

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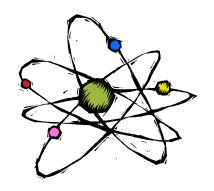
CONFIDENCE

"You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them."

Michael Jordan



Science



Technicalities

- Knowledge of Subject
- Knowledge of Procedure
- Knowledge of Terminologies
- Teaching the Authority
- Telling mistake of other assesses
- Don't miss the dates



SAY WHAT YOU HAVE WRITTEN AND WRITE WHAT YOU SAY

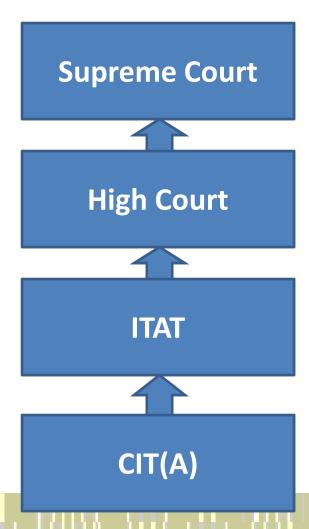
Written representations

- Use PAN, subject, year...
- Positive approach
- Negate Specific question
- To address
 - -Factual position
 - Legal position



IT'S A MIND GAME

Stages of Appeal





Appeal before Commissioner

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Appealable Orders before CIT(A) – S. 246A

- Intimation u/s 143(1) / 143 (1B)
- Assessment order u/s 143(3) (except DRP) or 144
- Assessment / Reassessment / recomputation u/s 147 (except DRP) / 150
- Rectification order u/s 154 / 155
- Assessment / reassessment order u/s 153A
- Assessment order in respect of fringe benefits u/s 115WE(3) or 115WF or 115WG
- Order u/s 201(1) / 201(1A) / 206C(6A) / 237levying interest for delay in remitting TDS or failure to deduct TDS
- Block assessment order in case of search or requisition u/s 158BC
- Order imposing penalty u/s 221 or 271 ... or imposing penalty under chapter
 XXI
- Order u/s 158BFA(2) for concealment in case of block assessment.
- Order u/s 163 treating assessee as agent of non-resident
- Order u/s 170(2) / 170(3) / 171

Preparation of appeal

- Appeal to be filed in 2 sets before CIT(A) of own Range
- Assessed tax must be paid before filing appeal stay for contested demand can be made.
- Grounds of appeal should be precise & nonagrumentative
- Statement of facts should be concise detailed paper book may be filed while hearing
- Additional grounds can be filed if omission not willful or unreasonable

Preparation of appeal

- Use of clear & easy language should be preferred while drafting
- Appeal to be filed within 30 days of service of order / intimation
- Appeal can be represented by assessee or his designated attorney
- Must be signed by the authorised signatory u/s 140
- Fee from Rs. 250-500-1000

Documents to be filed

- Form 35
- Grounds of appeal
- Statement of facts
- Original notice of demand
- Certified true copy of impugned order
- Letter of authority / POA
- Original counterfoil of appeal filing fee

Hearing and disposal

- Can have number of hearings before disposal
- Can ask for additional documents, details as deems fit
- Additional evidence can be placed at the time of hearing if the assessee did not have opportunity to present before lower authorities
- CIT(A) has wide & plenary powers, wider than of Tribunal
- CIT(A) may confirm, reduce, enhance or annul the A.O's order
- He has to pass a speaking order

Appeal before Income-tax Tribunal

Preparation of appeal

- Appealable orders:
 - Order of CIT(A)
 - Order of chief commissioner u/s 272A
 - Order u/s 12AA, 80G
 - Order under DRP
- Appeal to be filed in 3 sets
- Grounds of appeal should be precise & non-agrumentative
- Statement of facts should be concise
- Additional grounds can be filed if omission not willful or unreasonable
- Appeal to be filed within 60 days of service of order
- Appeal can be represented by assessee or his designated attorney
- Must be signed by the authorised signatory u/s 140
- Fee from Rs. 500-1500- (1% maximum 10000)

Documents to be filed

- Form 36
- Grounds of appeal
- Certified true copy of impugned order
- Entire set of appeal filed before CIT(A)
- Letter of authority / POA
- Original counterfoil of appeal filing fee

Court room – the real test

- ITAT highest fact finding body
- To observe the code of formal dressing & conduct.
- Paper book may be filed 3 sets at least 15 days in advance
- Application of judicial decisions to your facts
- Adverse judicial decisions
- Tax department represented by 'Departmental Representative' – meet his arguments
- No informal arguments can be placed





Why you can do it best?

- You know the facts at its best.
- You know the strengths and weakness of the matter.
- You know the law, its just a matter of practice.



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