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Subject: Motions to Strike

This Notice clarifies existing CCDM procedures with respect to the filing of motions to strike when petitions are partly defective.

In some cases, a petition dealing with multiple tax years fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted for some but not all of the years at issue. Current CCDM 35.4.12.2 may be read to recommend that a motion to strike be filed in such a situation prior to the filing of the answer. The Tax Court advises that motions to strike should not be filed within the 45-day period of T. C. Rule 36(a). Instead, the answer should be filed and, once the case is at issue, a motion for partial summary judgment for those years which fail to state a justiciable claim should be filed.

Questions about the provisions of this Notice may be referred to Richard Charles Grosenick at (202) 622-7860.

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