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SERVICE BROCHURE · TAX ADVISORY

Tax Advisory

Tax certainty for Caribbean business.

Comply with confidence, plan with foresight and defend your positions with evidence, across 35 territories.

COMPLY. PLAN. DEFEND. TRANSACT.

01 · THE BUSINESS ISSUE

Tax is now cross-border, digital and a board-level matter.

Caribbean tax authorities are modernising fast, international rules are reaching into the region, and the cost of getting it wrong now lands in penalties, interest and lost time with management.

Digital tax administration

Online filing, electronic payments and data matching let authorities spot gaps between returns, payroll and third-party data more quickly than ever.

Global minimum tax

Several jurisdictions, including Barbados and The Bahamas, have enacted domestic minimum top-up taxes for multinational groups with annual revenues of €750 million or more, to secure a 15% minimum effective rate.

Related parties under the lens

Transfer pricing rules, economic substance requirements and international information exchange mean intercompany arrangements must be documented and defensible.

Cash and penalties

Late or inaccurate filings attract penalties and interest that compound quickly, and unresolved arrears can block compliance certificates needed for contracts and licences.

WHAT MAKES CARIBBEAN TAX DIFFERENT

- Different regimes, rates and filing calendars in every territory
- Frequent budget measures and changes in administrative practice
- Indirect taxes that touch every sale and purchase
- Expatriate staff, remote workers and contractors across borders
- Foreign investors entering through branches or new companies
- Small finance teams carrying tax alongside everything else

> **Most tax problems are not about the law. They are about ownership, timing and documentation, and those can be fixed.**

02 · OUR SERVICES

Six disciplines, one tax desk.

All tax assignments are managed from our Caribbean Tax Service Desk, so one team holds your tax picture across every territory you operate in.

Corporate tax

Compliance and advice on income and corporation taxes.

- Annual returns and estimated payments
- Tax provisions and deferred tax
- Capital allowances and depreciation

Indirect taxes

GCT, VAT and sales taxes on every transaction.

- Registration and periodic returns
- Refund claims and reconciliations
- Indirect tax reviews of systems and pricing

Employment & individual tax

Payroll taxes, expatriates and personal tax.

- Statutory deductions and benefits in kind
- Expatriate and shadow payroll
- Residency and personal tax filings

International tax & transfer pricing

Cross-border structures and intercompany pricing.

- Transfer pricing studies and documentation
- Withholding tax, treaties and permanent establishment
- Global minimum tax and economic substance

Tax controversy & relief

Support when you are audited or in arrears.

- Tax audit and objection support
- Waiver applications for penalties and interest
- Tax compliance certificates

Transaction & structuring tax

Tax built into decisions before they are made.

- Company or branch: choosing the entry route
- Tax due diligence for acquisitions
- Group restructuring and holding structures

One desk for 35 territories.

Our Caribbean Tax Service Desk is centrally managed from our headquarters in Jamaica, with territory desks across the region. You deal with one team, and your advice is consistent wherever you operate.

01

Scope and intake

We confirm the question, territories, deadlines and documents, and agree the deliverable before work starts.

02

Review the facts

We review returns, ledgers, contracts and prior correspondence to establish where you stand today.

03

Advise in writing

You receive clear written advice that cites the relevant law and practice and sets out the options and risks.

04

Implement and file

We prepare and file returns, registrations, objections or applications, or support your team to do so.

05

Monitor

We alert you to budget measures and changes in practice that affect your position, so nothing arrives as a surprise.

WAYS TO ENGAGE

- **On-call advisory.** A standing arrangement for questions as they arise.
- **Annual compliance.** Returns and filings managed to a calendar.
- **Projects.** A defined study, review or transaction.
- **Controversy support.** From first enquiry to resolution.

YOUR TAX CALENDAR

Every filing and payment date for every entity in one schedule, with clear owners, so deadlines stop depending on memory.

Know your exposures before the tax authority does.

Boards are increasingly expected to show that tax is governed, not just filed. We help you find the gaps and put the controls in place.

Tax Risk Health Check

A structured diagnostic across six components: compliance profile, direct tax, indirect tax, payroll tax, governance and controls, and a remediation roadmap. Typically completed in two to six weeks.

See our separate **Tax Risk Health Check** brochure.

Tax governance framework

- Board-approved tax policy and risk appetite
- Clear ownership of every tax and filing
- Controls over returns, reconciliations and payments
- Reporting to the board or audit committee

WARNING SIGNS WE OFTEN FIND

GCT or VAT returns that do not reconcile to the ledger	Payroll benefits and allowances outside the tax net	Intercompany charges with no agreement or pricing support
Deferred tax that has not been reviewed in years	Arrears blocking a tax compliance certificate	No single owner for the tax calendar

Cross-border groups face the closest scrutiny.

Whether you are a regional group, a multinational with a Caribbean subsidiary or a foreign investor entering the region, intercompany arrangements and new global rules need attention.

Transfer pricing

- Functional and risk analysis
- Benchmarking studies
- Transfer pricing documentation
- Intercompany agreements
- Defence in tax audits

Global minimum tax readiness

- Scoping against the €750 million threshold
- Effective tax rate estimates by jurisdiction
- Domestic top-up tax filings
- Data and reporting processes

Inbound investment

- Company or branch registration
- Withholding tax on payments abroad
- Treaty access and permanent establishment
- Expatriate tax and shadow payroll

ECONOMIC SUBSTANCE & INFORMATION EXCHANGE

We help you meet economic substance reporting where it applies and understand what is shared with other tax authorities under international exchange agreements.

DIGITAL ECONOMY

We advise on the tax treatment of digital services, online sales and remote work arrangements as Caribbean rules evolve.

> **Transfer pricing is easiest to defend when it is documented at the time, not reconstructed during an audit.**

06 · WHO SHOULD CONSIDER THIS SERVICE

For any business that wants tax certainty, not tax surprises.

Owner-managed companies wanting compliance handled and tax planned

Regional groups operating across several Caribbean territories

Multinational subsidiaries with transfer pricing and group reporting duties

Foreign investors and contractors starting projects in the region

Employers of expatriates and remote or cross-border staff

Businesses in arrears needing relief and a compliance certificate

07 · ILLUSTRATION

A foreign contractor with a project start date

Situation. An overseas engineering contractor won a project in the region and needed to be operational within weeks, with foreign staff arriving and local suppliers to pay.

Our work. We advised on branch versus company registration, completed tax and GCT registrations, set up expatriate and shadow payroll, and confirmed the withholding tax position on payments to the parent company.

Outcome. The contractor was registered and filing from its first month, with a tax calendar its finance team now runs. No penalties arose during the project.

Anonymised composite illustration based on regional experience.

WHAT YOU RECEIVE

- Written advice citing the relevant law and practice
- Prepared and filed returns and registrations
- Transfer pricing documentation
- A tax calendar for every entity
- A tax risk register with priorities
- Board-ready summaries and budget alerts

08 · ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS

Choose the support you need.

Annual compliance

Corporate, indirect and payroll tax returns managed to a calendar.

On-call advisory

A standing arrangement for questions as they arise, across territories.

Tax projects

Transfer pricing studies, health checks, restructuring and due diligence.

Controversy & relief

Tax audit and objection support, waiver applications and compliance certificates.

Fees are tailored to each client and agreed in the engagement letter once scope and deliverables are confirmed.

WHY DAWGEN GLOBAL

- **Caribbean insight.** Over 24 years serving Caribbean business.
- **One desk, 35 territories.** Consistent advice wherever you operate.
- **Integrated expertise.** Audit, legal, payroll and technology specialists on call.
- **Board-ready advice.** Clear options, plainly written.

09 · START HERE

- Request a tax compliance or advisory proposal
- Start a Tax Risk Health Check
- Book a confidential conversation about a tax audit, arrears or a new investment

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