Form **8453-F**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

U.S. Estate or Trust Income Tax Declaration and Signature for Electronic Filing

For calendar year 2011, or fiscal year beginning ______________, 2011, and ending ______________, 20 ______

▶ **See instructions on back.**

OMB No. 1545-0967

2011

Name of estate or trust	**B** Employer identification number
Name and title of fiduciary	

A If this form is being used only as a transmittal, check here . . . . ☐

Part I **Tax Return Information**

1	Total income (Form 1041, line 9)	1	
2	Income distribution deduction (Form 1041, line 18)	2	
3	Taxable income (Form 1041, line 22)	3	
4	Total tax (Form 1041, line 23)	4	
5	Tax due or overpayment (Form 1041, line 27 or 28)	5	

Part II **Declaration of Fiduciary**

6 ☐ I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an ACH electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the estate's or trust's taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at **1-888-353-4537** no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that the above amounts (or the amounts on the attached listing) agree with the amounts shown on the corresponding lines of the electronic portion of the 2011 U.S. Income Tax Return(s) for Estates and Trusts. I have also examined a copy of the return(s) being filed electronically with the Internal Revenue Service, and all accompanying schedules and statements. To the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. If I am not the transmitter, I consent that the return(s), including this declaration and accompanying schedules and statements, be sent to the Internal Revenue Service by the return transmitter. I also consent to the IRS's sending the ERO and/or transmitter an acknowledgement of receipt of transmission and an indication of whether or not the return(s) is accepted, and, if rejected, the reason(s) for the rejection.

Sign Here ▶ Signature of fiduciary or officer representing fiduciary ▶ Date

Part III **Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer** (see instructions)

I declare that I have reviewed the above estate or trust return(s) and that the entries on Form 8453-F are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. If I am only a collector, I am not responsible for reviewing the return(s), and only declare that this form accurately reflects the data on the return(s). The fiduciary or an officer representing the fiduciary will have signed this form before I submit the return(s). I will give the fiduciary or officer representing the fiduciary a copy of all forms and information to be filed with the IRS, and have followed all other requirements described in Pub. 1437, Procedures for the Form 1041 *e-file* Program, U.S. Income Tax Returns for Estates and Trusts for Tax Year 2011. If I am also the Paid Preparer, under penalties of perjury I declare that I have examined the above estate or trust return(s) and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer is based on all information of which the preparer has any knowledge.

ERO's Use Only					
	ERO's signature ▶	Date	Check if also paid preparer ▶ ☐	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	ERO's SSN or PTIN
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP code ▶			EIN ▶	
				Phone no.	

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above estate or trust return(s) and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer is based on all information of which the preparer has any knowledge.

Paid Preparer Use Only					
	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶			Firm's EIN ▶	
	Firm's address ▶			Phone no.	

What's New

We added new line A before Part I of the form. If you used the PIN method to sign the e-filed Form 1041 and only want to use Form 8453-F to serve as a transmittal for any paper schedules or statements, then check the box at the end of line A.

Purpose of Form

Use Form 8453-F to:

- Authenticate the electronic Form 1041, U.S. Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts;
- Authorize the electronic filer to transmit via a third-party transmitter;
- Authorize an electronic funds withdrawal for payment of federal taxes owed; and
- Serve as a transmittal for any accompanying paper schedules or statements.

Signature For Multiple-Return Filing

A single signature may be used for a multiple-return filing if the fiduciary is authorized to sign each return. The signer must attach a multiple-return information listing according to the instructions in Pub. 1437, Procedures for the Form 1041 *e-file* Program, U.S. Income Tax Returns for Estates and Trusts for Tax Year 2011. The information listing must include the estate's or trust's employer identification number (EIN), the name control of each estate or trust, the tax period for the estate or trust, and the information shown on lines 1 through 5 for each return. Do not enter totals from multiple returns on lines 1 through 5. For information about the name control for an estate or trust, see Pub. 1438, File Specifications, Validation Criteria and Record Layouts for the Electronic Filing Program for Form 1041 US Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts for Tax Year 2011.

Can Form 8453-F Be Used Only as a Transmittal?

Yes, if:

- You used the PIN method to sign the e-filed Form 1041 and
- You must send accompanying paper payment, schedules, or statements,

Then

- Enter the estate's or trust's identifying information and the name and title of the fiduciary,
- Check the box on line A, and
- Attach Form 8453-F as a transmittal to the paper documents.

Caution: *Do not complete anything below line A.*

Where To File

Internal Revenue Service
Ogden Submission Processing Center
Mail Stop 6052
Ogden, UT 84201

When To File

An estate or trust must file its income tax return by the 15th day of the 4th month following the close of its tax year. This filing date also applies to returns filed electronically. For returns filed electronically, the transmitter must send the signed Form 8453-F within 3 business days after the electronic transmission has been accepted.

Line 5

Payment of Tax Due (shown on line 27 of Form 1041 and reported on line 5 of this return) can be made by EFTPS, ACH electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit), or check or money order. If the payment is by ACH electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit), be sure to check the box on line 6.

If payment is by check or money order, make it payable to the "United States Treasury" and write the estate's or trust's name and EIN and "2011 Form 1041" on the payment. Complete the 2011 Form 1041-V, Payment Voucher, and enclose it and the payment in an envelope and mail it to the address shown on Form 1041-V. Although you do not have to complete Form 1041-V, doing so allows us to process the payment more accurately and efficiently. Do **not** enclose Form 8453-F with Form 1041-V. Mail Form 8453-F to the address shown under *Where To File* on this page.

Line 6

Check the box only if you choose to pay the tax due by ACH electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit). Otherwise, leave the box blank.

Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer

The ERO is one who deals directly with the fiduciary and either prepares tax returns or collects prepared tax returns, including Forms 8453-F, for fiduciaries who wish to have the return of the estate or trust electronically filed. The ERO's signature is required by the IRS.

A paid preparer who is also the ERO checks the box in the *ERO's Use Only* section labeled "Check if also paid preparer." A paid preparer who is not the ERO must sign Form 8453-F in the space for *Paid Preparer Use Only.*

Use of PTIN

Paid preparers. Anyone who is paid to prepare the estate's or trust's return must enter their PTIN in Part III. The PTIN entered must have been issued after September 27, 2010. For information on applying for and receiving a PTIN, see Form W-12, IRS Paid Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) Application and Renewal, or visit *www.irs.gov/ptin.*

EROs who are not paid preparers. Only an ERO who is not the paid preparer of the return has the option to enter their PTIN or their social security number in the *ERO's Use Only* section of Part III. If the PTIN is entered, it must have been issued after September 27, 2010. For information on applying for and receiving a PTIN, see Form W-12 or visit *www.irs.gov/ptin.*

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax. Section 6109 requires return preparers and EROs to provide their identifying numbers on the return.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by Internal Revenue Code section 6103.

The time needed to complete this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is:

Recordkeeping	6 min.
Learning about the law or the form	10 min.
Preparing and sending the form	39 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Internal Revenue Service, Tax Products Coordinating Committee, SE:W:CAR:MP:T:T:SP, 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6526, Washington, DC 20224. Do not send the form to this address. Instead, see *Where To File* on this page.