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As a concern taxpayer, I am concerned about the excessive freedom granted 2501 (C) (3) organizations. It seems to me that there is exceptional abuse of this clause. Exceptional abuse case examples are freely available on the Internet and can be seen by all. I pay my fair share of taxes and expect other organizations to do so as well whether they are religious or not. Many of these religious organizations are based on fraud and still have tax exempt liberty. This needs to be ended expeditiously.

- All non-profit organizations should be treated equally, regardless of whether they espouse an atheist position, or a religious position. Currently the IRS singles out churches for privileged treatment by exempting them from the disclosure requirements all other 501(c)(3) organizations must comply with, or lose their exemption. Taxpayers, who are subsidizing tax-exempt groups, have a right to know what entities are exempt from taxation and to review general financial disclosures. The privilege of not being taxed must come with some measures of accountability.
- Please make churches conform to the same IRS requirements as all other 501(c)(3) groups. At a minimum, the IRS should require any organizations that claim to be religious organizations, to file an annual notice with the IRS that they are claiming tax exemption.

I appreciate your attention to this email.

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