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Via email to pra.comments@irs.gov

RE: OMB Control No. 1545-1596

Dear Andres,

I am an attorney with the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic at Indiana Legal Services. I am writing to provide comment on Form 8857-Request for Innocent Spouse Relief.

In the section on the top of the first page titled "Important Things You Should Know," there should be more detail about what information will and will not be available to the non-requesting spouse in situations where there is/was domestic violence. Currently, the form informs the applicant that "[t]he IRS is required by law to notify the person listed on line 6 that you have requested this relief" and that "[t]he IRS will not disclose the following information: your current name, address, phone numbers, or employer(s)."

A clear statement should be made in this section regarding whether the non-requesting spouse will have access to a version, redacted or otherwise, of the submitted Form 8857 and any attachments as a routine part of the Innocent Spouse application process, so that victims of abuse can make an informed decision about whether and how much information to disclose.

Thank you for your attention. You may contact me at [redacted] or [redacted].

Sincerely,

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