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Big Changes to "Limited Scope" Audits



The Auditing Standards Board (ASB) of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) changed the audit standards applicable to audits of financial statements of employee benefit plans subject to ERISA. These standards impact what is currently known as "limited scope audits." Now, the limited scope audit will no longer be an option, but will be replaced by an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit.

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Family Business

A Shareholder Agreement Can Help You Prepare for the Unexpected



Stuff happens. Any experienced family business owner would likely agree. For this very reason, family-owned companies are urged to consider working with their professional advisors to create a shareholder agreement. This article lays out the critical issues addressed by such an agreement. A sidebar looks at shareholder agreements from a succession planning perspective.



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Pick the Right Trademark



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