

TURN YOUR SUMMER VACATION INTO A BUSINESS WRITE-OFF

The Strategic Shift: Accountant vs. Advisor

- **Accountant:** Records what already happened—expenses, receipts, tax returns.
- **Trusted Advisor:** Designs structure before you book. We ask:
 - How can this trip align with upcoming client meetings, strategy sessions, or creative workshops?
 - What's the future ROI of combining work and retreat?

"Any CPA firm can record history. Our firm will help you build a future."

Future-Focused Business Planning

1. Define a legitimate business purpose

You're not just escaping to the beach—you're meeting clients, doing market research, or building a content plan. We help you weave your agenda into a growth narrative.

2. Plan key business activities

Host a strategy session over lunch, schedule coaching calls during downtime, or meet with a prospective partner while away. Those hours become tax-qualified.

3. Document in real time

From sample agendas to contemporaneous notes, we guide you on the structure needed before travel.

- 4. Allocate trip costs correctly
 - Fully deductible: airfare, business meals, lodging during business days
 - Partially deductible: retreat portion, blended days, incidental expenses

5. Invest in business growth

Your trip becomes more than relaxation—it's fueling creativity, business connections, and product development.

Real Strategy in Action

Imagine Sarah, a digital marketing consultant, planning a week-long trip to Miami in July. Instead of simply taking time off, she books three meetings with clients based in the area, schedules a one-day content planning retreat, and hosts a casual lunch-and-learn event for local entrepreneurs. By working with us ahead of time, she documents a clear business agenda, ties her travel to business development efforts, and maintains records of her meetings and outcomes. As a result, the majority of her trip—including airfare and five of seven hotel nights—is treated as a deductible business expense. This isn't tax trickery—it's proactive planning. It's aligning personal experiences with intentional business growth.

Why Work with a Trusted Business Advisory Partner?

We think ahead, not after

We help you architect businesscentric travel from day one.

We integrate travel into your growth strategy

Every trip becomes a step toward future revenue, not just a tax exercise.

We elevate you above technical accounting

You get strategic planning, not just compliance checklists.

Want this tailored to your business?

Book a call now

FAQ: Turn Your Summer Vacation into a Business Write-Off

Q: Can I deduct a family vacation if I mix in client meetings?

A: Yes—if you dedicate clear, documented time to business (e.g., 2-3 hours/day), those days qualify. Personal days are nondeductible proportionally.

Q: How much notice do you need to structure a qualifying trip?

A: Ideally 2-4 weeks. That gives us time to draft agendas, meet scheduling scrutiny, and align activities with the trip.

Q: What kind of documentation is required?

- A: · Pre-trip agenda
 - Calendared meetings
 - Meeting notes, receipts for meals/lodging
 - Timesheets or narratives showing business vs. personal split

Q: What costs are typically nondeductible?

A: Purely personal expenses—theme park tickets, rental cars for family sightseeing, personal souvenirs.

Q: How do you stand apart from a traditional accountant? A: We're future-focused planners: we coach, strategize, and align your tax strategy with business objectives—developing investable trips, not just expensing ones.