# The C's of Credit Guidelines for Tax Return Analysis

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# About Linda Keith CPA

Linda Keith CPA Inc. is a niche practice serving financial institutions' credit analysis training needs. Linda focuses on the loan quality side of the risk management equation.

Her programs on Tax Return Analysis cover Business Lending, Agriculture Lending and Personal Lending to Complex Borrowers and are delivered in-person and virtually through www.LendersOnlineTraining.com.

Her clients hire her internally or send loan officers, underwriters and analysts to openenrollment sessions. Through Linda's training, they advance to

- · Understanding the borrower's business
- · Spotting red flags and asking good questions
- · Making good decisions and documenting the file

For in-house clients, Linda advises on guidelines to customize the training. Today, she'll share her observations of over 25 years working with financial institutions.



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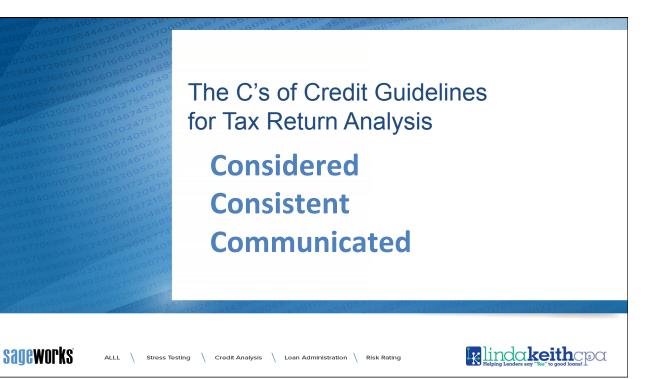


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- Guidelines questions submitted in advance
- Guidelines questions from our Ask Linda archives
- Guidelines questions you ask during Q&A 3.

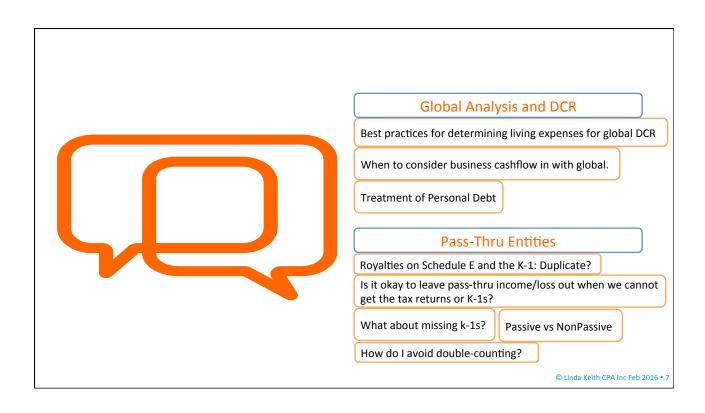
If I miss a question today, or it is more complex than works well in the webinar format, I promise to answer it by email.

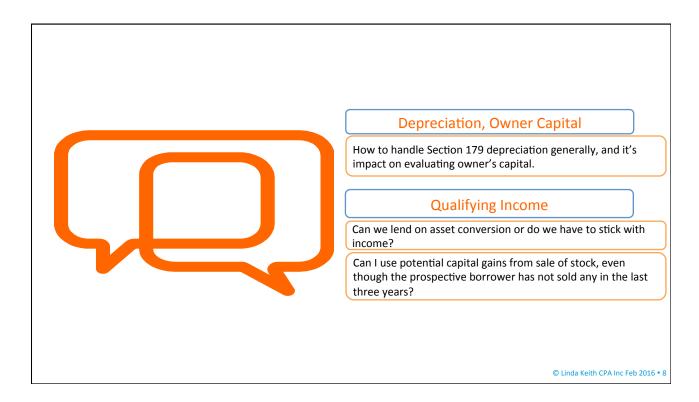
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# **Global Analysis**

How do you define Global Cashflow?

### **Personal Analysis:**

- 1) Combine the personal cashflow with the available cashflow from the entities with high enough % ownership. OR
- 2) Combine the personal cashflow with the actual cashflow from owned entities.

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### **Global Analysis**

How do you define Global Cashflow?

#### **Business Analysis**

- 1) Combine the business cashflow with the personal cashflow from all guarantors (including their available cashflow from other owned entities). OR
- 2) Combine the business cashflow with the personal cashflow from all guarantors, only using the actual cashflow from other owned entities.



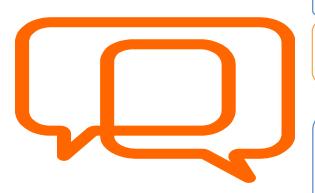
# **Global Analysis**

Do you net the personal debts prior to calculating DCR?

In my experience, most lenders put all debt on the global debt list. However, you'll get a different answer if you subtract personal debt first, then do a DCR.

**Question:** If you are only counting the owner/ guarantor's actual cashflow from an other owned entity, do you count any of that entities debt against the owner cashflow?

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### **Global Analysis**

When is a business loss added or not added back to personal income when calculating global DSC?

#### Guidelines vary.

- 1) Is the business obligated on the loan?
- 2) If not, is it owned by an owner who is obligated on the loan? If yes, a share of the business cashflow (positive or negative), may be bundled into the global cashflow.



### **Global Analysis**

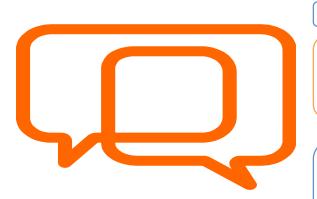
What are prudent living expense allowances? Is there a good source?

Should a lender also consider Schedule A itemized deductions?

There is no consistent guideline. Consider:

- 1) Number in the family
- 2) Overall level of income
- 3) Expensive toys or hobbies
- 4) If AgLending, whether they live on the farm
- 5) Earned Net Worth Change

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# Depreciation – Section 179

How do most banks treat 179 Depreciation Expense?

I've seen it done different ways.

If you are going to add it back anyway, I would ignore it completely. Especially with pass-thru entities, it is not on the front page and is easy to miss. I generally recommend you add back only the depreciation that was subtracted from taxable income.



### Depreciation - Section 179

How do you evaluate capital with a manufacturing company that takes significant section 179 depreciation?

When I want to evaluate capital, I do it with something other than a tax return. Use appraisals or consider requiring accrual basis, CPA-prepared financial statements.

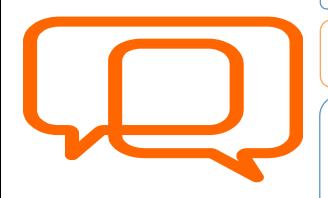
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# Unreported Income, Character

If I become aware that the prospective borrower has not reported income on their tax return, should I try to qualify them without it or find a way to decline the loan?

Personal and Mortgage lenders often tell me they will make the loan if they can find enough, documentable income. Business lenders generally say no.



Rentals, LLCs, Disallowed Losses
Performing vs Qualifying

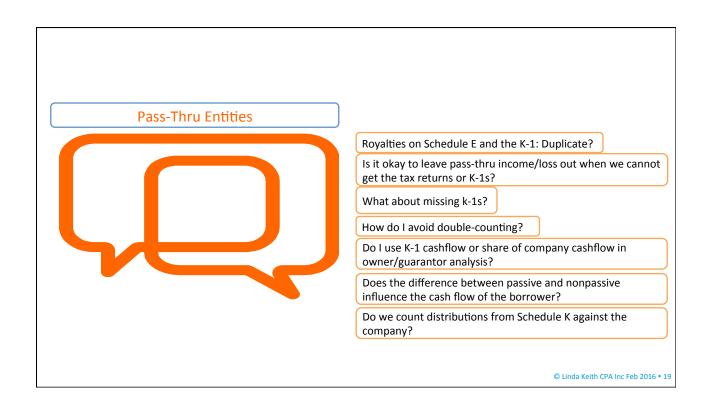
Which loss figures do we use from the rental schedule (1040 E, Page One)? There are two.

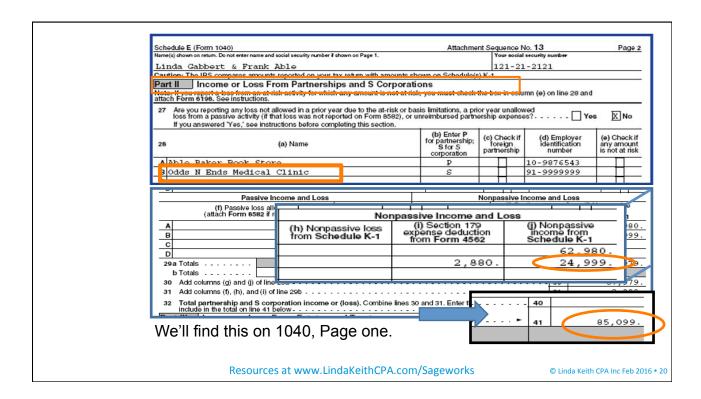
Use the loss before limitations, not the bottom line.

The easiest way to do this is to go to the top of the form, add the income, subtract the expenses, and then add back deprecation and, if appropriate, the interest expense.

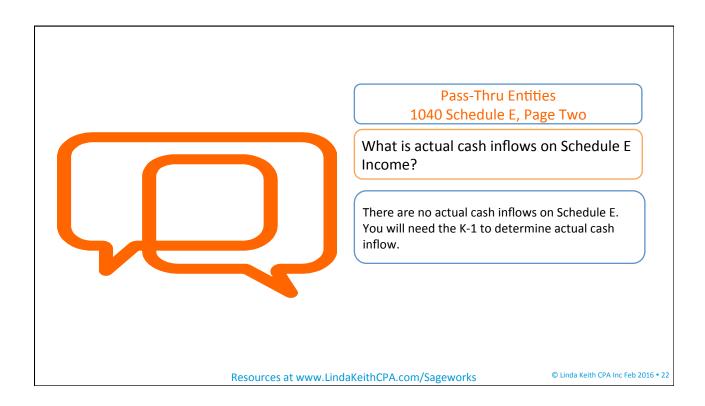
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12 Business income or (loss). Attach Schedule C or C-EZ		12
13 Capital gain or (loss). Att Sch D if regd. If not regd, ck	here	13
14 Other gains or (losses). Attach Form 4797.		14
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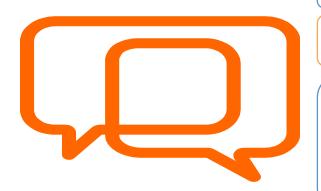
Do you utilize the Schedule E income reported in AGI or do you get K-1s to determine distributions and contributions?

There are no actual cash inflows on Schedule E. You will need the K-1 to determine actual cash inflow.

That said, another option is to determine what the owner has available to them.

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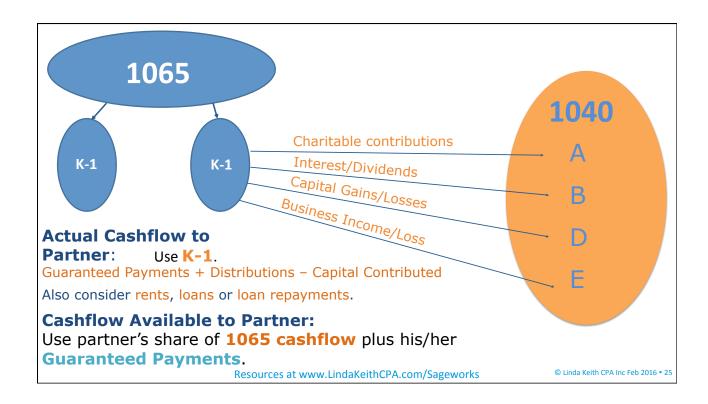
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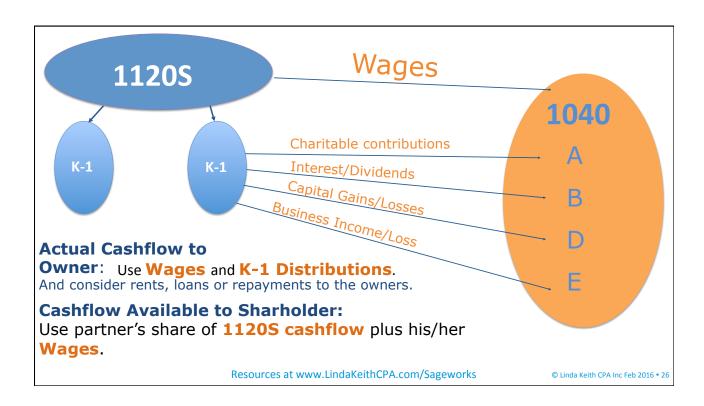
Should we ignore 1040, Schedule E, Page Two completely?

Pretty much! At least as it relates to the numbers listed. It is good for:

- A list of the entities partially owned
- An indication of what type of return to request
- A clue as to whether the owner is active in the business

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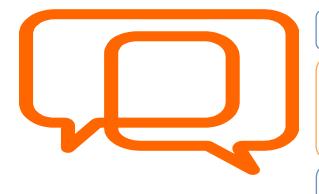
Pass-Thru Entities
Double Counting

Should we count K-1 Interest listed on Schedule B?

Probably not. If you want to give the pass-thru entity credit for the interest income, do it in the company analysis.

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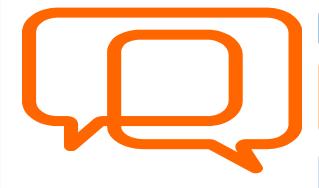


# Pass-Thru Entities Double Counting

On Schedule B of the 1040, does the accountant have to note whether the interest is K-1 pass through or interest actually paid to the individual from a pass through entity.

- Some software indicates 'K-1 Interest Income'.
- Some lists the entity name and you cannot tell.
- Once you have the K-1, you can tell.

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# Pass-Thru Entities Double Counting

Royalties that are on a K1 are also listed on Schedule E page one.

Did the individual/business actually receive the royalties?

Nothing on the K-1 that passes through to the 1040 is cash actually received.

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# Pass-Thru Entities Missing K-1s

I have a customer with multiple K-1's listed on his tax return that were not attached. I asked for all of them.

He is stating that several of them are investments and he did not receive a K-1. Is that possible?

The K-1s exist. Either the borrower received them digitally and they went right to the preparer, or they are investment type K-1s and do not look like a K-1.

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# Pass-Thru Entities Missing K-1s



We are not always able to obtain a pass-through entity tax return or K-1.

I typically exclude all pass-through income or loss from that entity in the individual's cash flow.

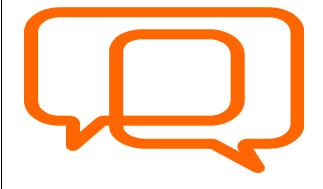
I make it clear to the reader that no cash flow from that entity was included due to lack of information. Thoughts?

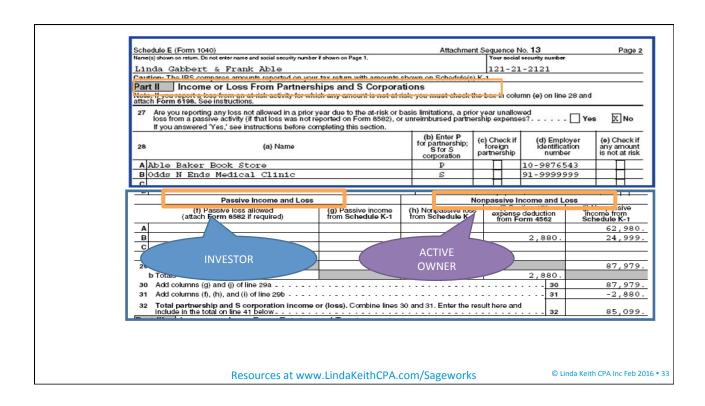
Your guidelines need to tell you if you must obtain the K-1s. Excluding the pass-through income or loss makes me very nervous. You have no idea what impact the outside business is having. It may be bleeding them dry.

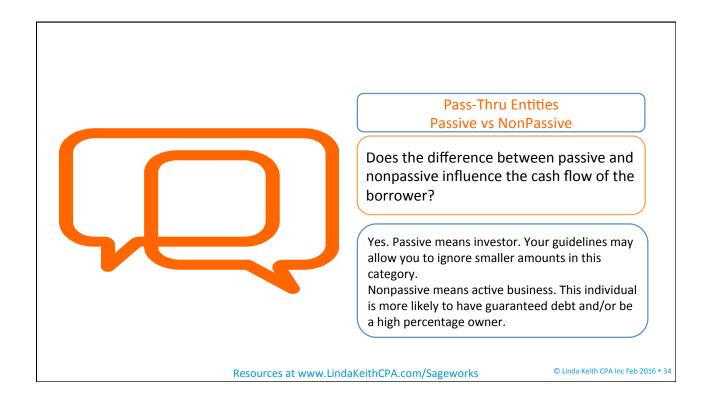
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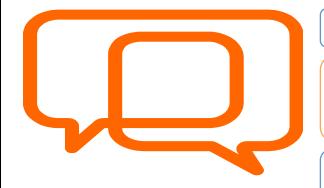
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# Pass-Thru Entities Passive vs NonPassive

Do we treat passive and non-passive income/losses different in our analysis? Is the documentation required the same or different?

Some lenders treat passive different than nonpassive. Others treat them the same.

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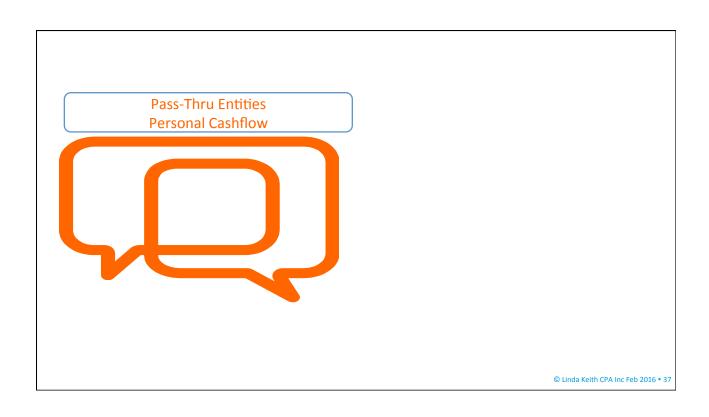
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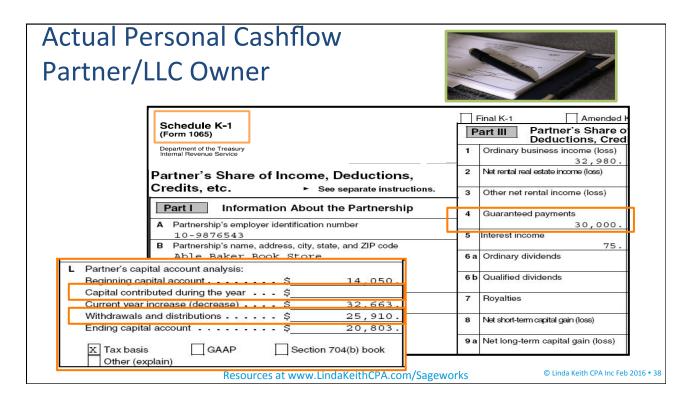
My borrower shows \$7,000 non-passive income in one year and \$42,000 passive income the next year from the same company.

Should I use both and average?

Maybe. If the return was done correctly, they have switched from active owner to investor. I'd want to understand this a bit better.

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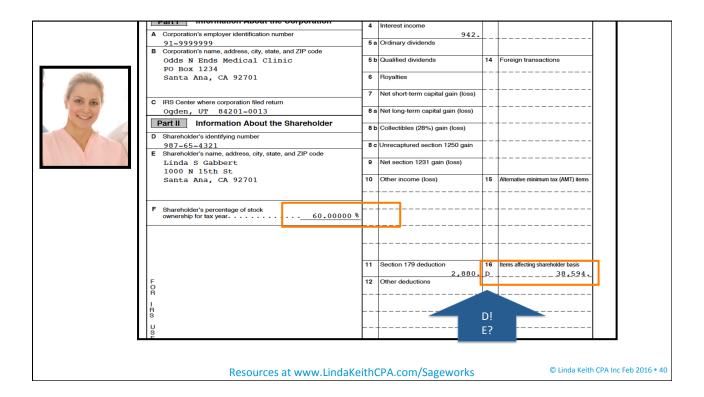


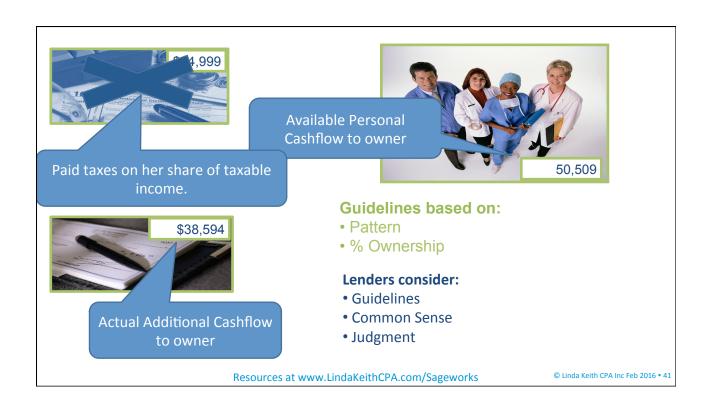


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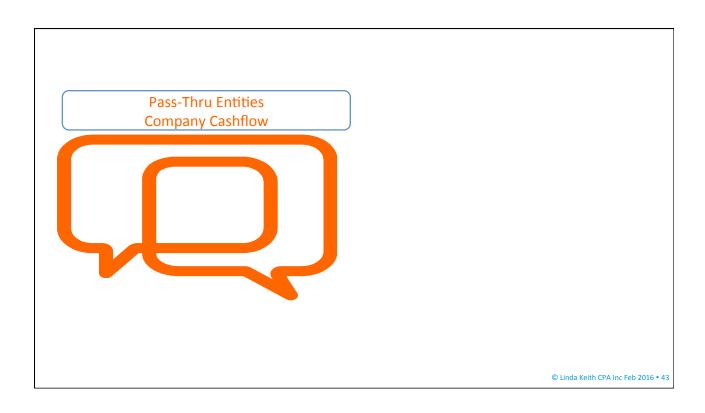
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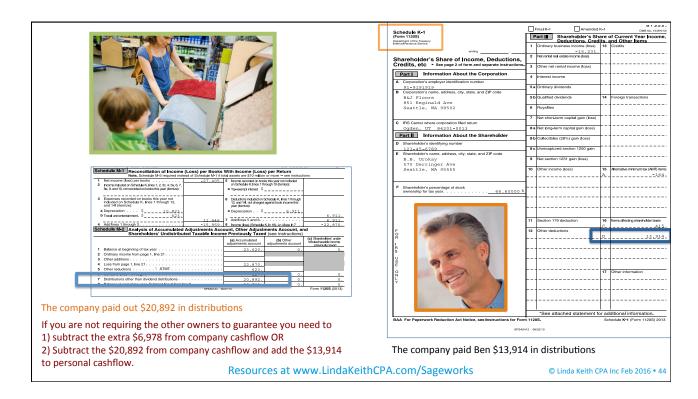
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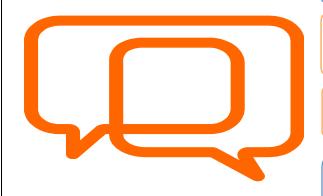












#### Pass-Thru Entities

Do you add back contributions from the owners to the business when calculating the global?

Do you consider whether the contributions are typical before adding them to company cashflow?

If you subtract all distributions, you likely should add back all contributions.

If you are calculating recurring cashflow, and the contributions are one-time contributions (to buy equipment or pay down debt), think twice.

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# Pass-Thru Entities

We just subtract the full distributions charged against the Schedule K.

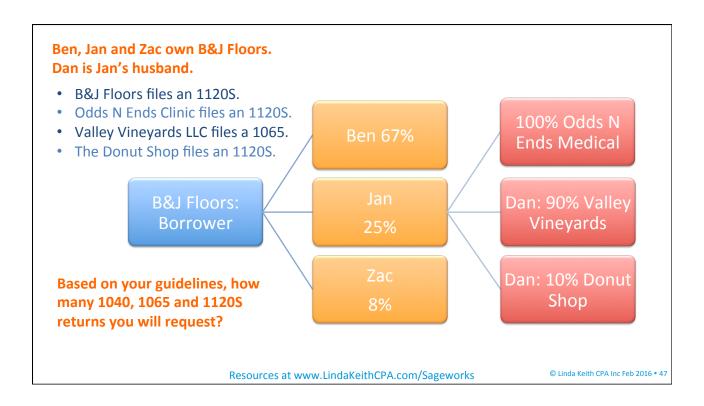
Is this an incorrect assumption?

Does it change if not all owners are included in the global analysis?

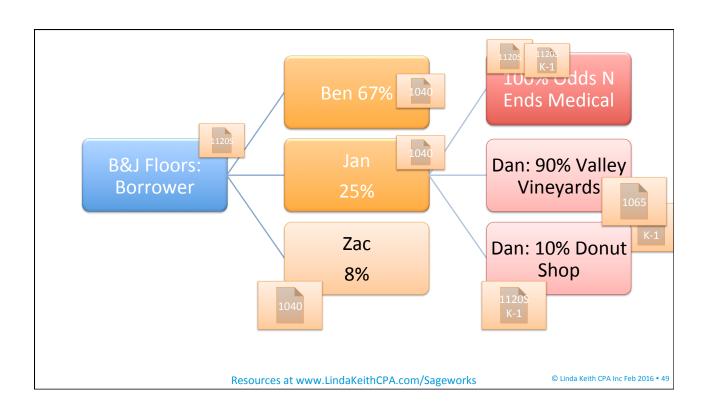
If all owners are also guarantors and included in the global analysis, you do not need to do this.

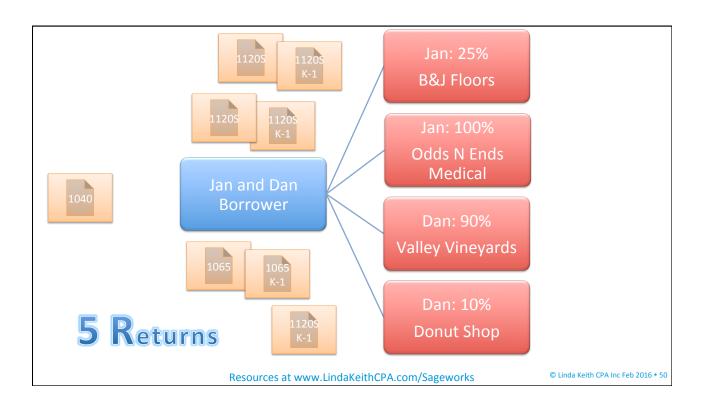
If you do not include all owners in the global analysis, then you need to subtract all distributions at the company level, but add distributions to the owner/guarantors.

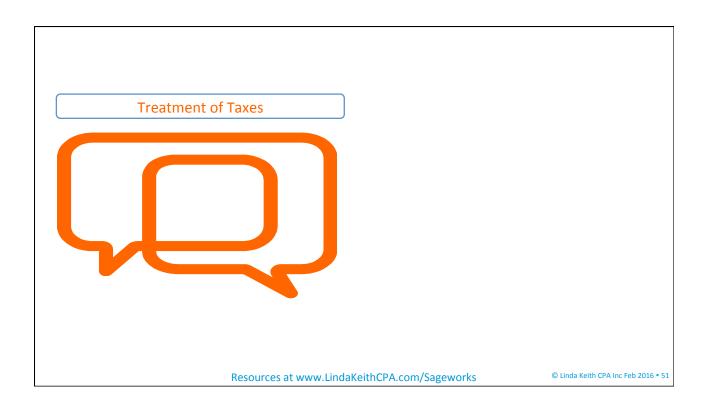
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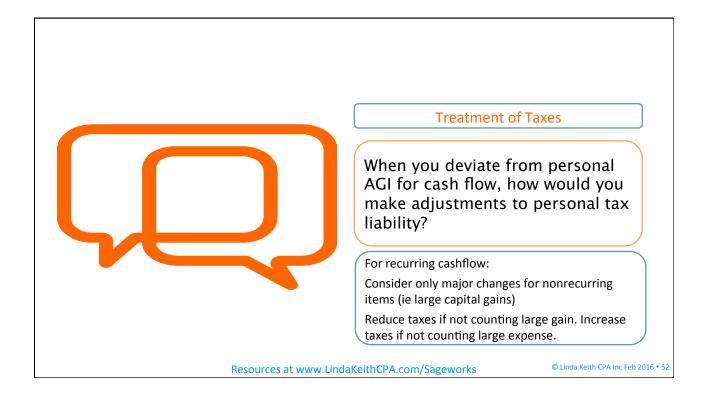


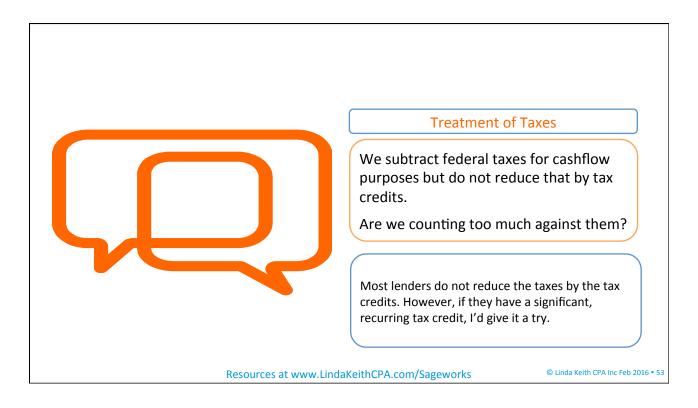




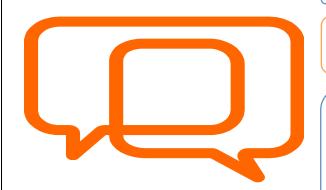












### **Qualifying Income**

Do we lend on asset conversion or do we have to stick with income?

All retired people are living on asset conversion if they were able to save and invest sufficiently for retirement. Also, Real Estate Developer/ Investors live off of asset conversion.

If this is your guideline, consider how it is worded and what guidance is provided to allow for the lending professional to apply good judgment.

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### **Qualifying Income**

How could I use potential capital gains from sale of stock, even though the prospective borrower has not sold any in the last three years?

Some lenders allow use of potential sale of stock:

- Obtain stock broker's statement to determine portfolio amount
- 2) Consider reducing the portfolio by some % (20, perhaps) to be conservative
- Annuitize the remainder over 30 years, or 20 years if already retired.

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