



Maintaining Control & Flexibility with Trusts in Uncertain Times: Key considerations for year-end planning

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Learning Objectives:



- 1. <u>Essential strategies</u> to be considered in <u>today's environment</u> when <u>updating pre-existing trusts</u> and <u>new trusts</u>
- 2. <u>Trust provisions</u> promoting <u>control</u> and <u>flexibility</u> to be <u>considered</u> in <u>year-end estate planning</u>
- 3. <u>Techniques</u> to <u>maximize trust structures</u> to meet the needs of the grantor and beneficiaries



Key Reasons for Establishing Trusts:



- 1. Asset Protection: (Self-Settled Trusts, Third-Party Beneficiary Trusts, Discretionary Interests, LLCs/FLPs)
 - Both settlor/grantor [and] beneficiaries (born and unborn)
- 2. Tax Savings: (Estate, GST, State Income and Premium Taxes)
- 3. Family Management: Promotion of Social and Fiscal Responsibility:
 - Modern "Directed" Dynasty <u>Incentive Trusts</u>:
 - "I want to leave my family enough money so they do something; not leave enough money so they do nothing." –
 Warren Buffet
 - Remember <u>names and values</u> of <u>great great grandparents</u>
 - <u>Videotape</u> of family values and goals (transcribe)
 - Draft Family Mission Statement
- 4. Family Governance/Involvement, Education, and Succession
- 5. Privacy:
 - Court proceedings involving trusts: (Litigation and/or reformation/modification) Sealed in perpetuity or for time period
 - Beneficiary quiet Keeping trust and related information silent from beneficiaries
- 6. Protecting against uncertainty



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Key reasons for uncertainty:

- **Politics**
- Federal <u>Taxes</u>
- **Economy**
- **Investments**
- Pandemics / Healthcare
- **<u>Litigation</u>**: Divorce and asset protection

State

- **Defining future family**
- Residences and vacation homes
- Other Family heirlooms
 - Pets
 - Cryogenics



"Modern Trusts" Provide Control and Flexibility:



- 1. Grantor, spouse and beneficiary clauses and powers
 - Co-trustees and fiduciaries
- 2. Family advisors and friends as co-trustees and fiduciaries
- 3. Control and flexibility regarding trust administration and distributions
- 4. Control and flexibility regarding trust investment management and planning

Summary:

- In 1995, only 12.5% of all gifts were to trusts (IRS)
- Currently the wealthy are contributing approximately 40% of all gifts to trusts
- "Trusts are no longer vehicles that lawyers and banks create to keep what is rightfully the beneficiaries." – Dick Oshins
- "<u>Directed Trusts</u>", "<u>Special Purpose Entities/Trust Protector Companies</u>" and "<u>Private Family</u> <u>Trust Companies</u>"



"Adding Key Trust Provisions, Strategies, and Techniques to Maximize Trust Structures with Control and Flexibility":



- Newly drafted trusts
- Existing trusts:
 - Reformation/Modification (judicial & non-judicial)
 - Decanting



Grantor Powers:



- Remove and replace trustees and fiduciaries
 - <u>Trustee</u> (family and/or independent)
 - > Replace with similar
 - <u>Investment committee</u> directed trust
 - <u>Distribution committee</u> directed trust
 - Trust protector
 - Family advisor



Grantor Powers – Remove and Replace Trustees and Fiduciaries: ☐ Family Office Exchange.



- Revenue Ruling 95-58 (August 4, 1995)
 - If, grantor possesses <u>power to remove the trustee</u> and <u>appoint</u> an individual or corporate successor trustee, the grantor will not be treated as having retained a trustee's discretionary **control** over the trust income if the **successor can not** be **related or subordinate** to the decedent within the meaning 672(c)
 - > Revoked Rev. Rul. 79-353



Poll: How many of you have established a directed trust?



- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ In the process of doing so
- ☐ Considering doing so

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Typical Modern <u>Directed Trust</u> Structure with a Trust Protector Promoting Flexibility and Control (AK, DE, NH, NV, SD,TN, WY):



Trust Protector

(Friends or Advisors) (Fiduciary, Not Trustee)

Distribution Committee

(Fiduciary, Not Trustee)

Directs Administrative Trustee Re Distributions

Independent Committee

(Tax sensitive distributions)

Family Committee

(Non-tax sensitive distributions)

Investment Committee

(Family & Family Advisors) (Fiduciary, Not Trustee)

Directs Administrative Trustee Re Investments

- · Stocks & bonds
- Insurance
- Art
- FLPs
- LLCs
- Real estate
- Private equity
- Closely-held stock

Administrative Trustee

(Directed Trustee)

- · Ownership of assets
- Establish & maintain trust bank account
- · Prepare & sign trust tax return
- Trust statements
- Make distributions
- Receive contributions

Take direction from:

Investment Committee

Distribution Committee



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Typical Trust Protector Powers (Vary by State Statute):



- Grantor appoints trust protector
- Typically family friend and/or advisor
- Flexibility Future Circumstances
- Personal vs. <u>fiduciary</u> powers
 - No personal gain, duty of loyalty & impartiality, actions for good of trust & beneficiaries
- Power to remove or to replace trustees
- Power to <u>veto</u> or <u>direct trust distributions</u>
- Power to veto or direct investment decisions
- Approve trustee accounts
- Power to add or remove beneficiaries
- Power to <u>add grantor</u> as <u>beneficiary</u> from a <u>class of beneficiaries</u> (Self-settled trust)
- Consent to exercise power of appointment
- Amend the trust as to the administrative and dispositive provisions
- Power to <u>change situs</u> and the <u>governing law</u> of the trust
- <u>Terminate</u> the Trust
- <u>Liability standard</u> gross negligence and/or willful misconduct



Family Advisor Statute:



- Grantor appoints family advisors
- <u>Typically</u> working or retired <u>lawyer</u> and/or <u>CPA</u>
- Provides for the power to appoint a "family advisor":
 - Person who is <u>authorized</u> to <u>consult or advise</u> a <u>fiduciary</u> with regard to fiduciary or non-fiduciary matters
- The "family advisor" may have the following powers:
 - Remove and appoint trustee, a fiduciary, trust advisor, investment committee member or distribution member
 - Appointment of <u>successor trust protector</u> or successor family advisor
 - Advise the trustee on matters concerning a beneficiary and consult with a fiduciary or advisor
 - Provide <u>direction</u> regarding <u>notification</u> of <u>qualified beneficiaries</u> (beneficiary quiet)
- Powers granted are in sole discretion of family advisor
 - Non-fiduciary capacity
 - Limited liability to dishonest or improper motive
- <u>Selected State Statutes</u>: <u>Delaware</u> and <u>South Dakota</u>



Grantor – Control & Flexibility:



- Family values
 - Incentive trusts
 - > Works best with directed trusts
 - Promote social & fiscal responsibility in family
 - > Add charitable beneficiaries to non-charitable trusts
- Beneficiary quiet

Please see: Al W. King, III "Are Incentive Trusts Gaining Popularity?" Trusts & Estates Magazine, October 2017



Beneficiary Quiet Statute:



- Beneficiary Quiet Trust: state statutes vary
 - Option of whether to <u>provide</u> <u>beneficiaries</u> with trust information
 - Can select which beneficiaries will not receive trust information
 - If make <u>trust distribution</u> to beneficiary (unique)
 - Not necessary to provide any trust information other than the distribution check
 - Even after grantor's death or incapacity (unique)
 - Still able to keep the trust quiet
 - Trust Protector can decide
 - Not limited to a time period (unique)
- State statutes: SD, NV, DE, TN, NH, WY, AK



Common Reasons for Keeping a Trust Quiet to Beneficiaries:



Reasons for Silence:

- Beneficiary isn't financially mature
- <u>Incentive Trust</u> Trust knowledge might negatively affect the promotion of social and fiscal responsibility of beneficiaries (viable alternative: directed incentive trust)
- Privacy
- Asset Protection
- Prevent <u>unnecessary lawsuits</u>
 - Bad in-laws/undesirable friends (current or future)
- Identity theft
- Family safety
- Non-voting business stock

Source: Al. W. King, III, "Should you keep a trust quiet (silent) from beneficiaries?" Trusts & Estates, April 2015



Grantor as Investment Co-Trustee/Investment Committee Fiduciary: Family Office Exchange.



Authority:

- No IRC section 2036 or 2038 issues:
 - > IRC Section 2036(a)(2) Right to designate who will enjoy the trust property
 - > IRC Section 2038 Power to alter a beneficiary's interest
- Jennings v. Smith, 161 F. 2d 74 (2nd Cir. 1947)
- Estate of Willard V. King v. Commissioner, 37 T.C. 973 (1962)
- U.S. v. Byrum, 408 U.S. 125 (1972)

Alternatives for Grantor:

- Grantor as **co-trustee** for investments
- **Directed trust investment committee**: Grantor and/or family
- LLC Manager (Trust 100% member/owner)

Possible Issues:

- State income tax?
- Asset protection?



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- □ No
- ☐ In the process of doing so
- ☐ Considering doing so

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Grantor – as a Beneficiary:



- Self-Settled Trust:
 - An <u>irrevocable trust</u> that provides for the <u>grantor/settlor</u> to be as a <u>permissible beneficiary</u> of the trust
 - No estate tax inclusion
 - > No IRC section 2036 or 2038 issues if properly planned
 - 19 states have enacted <u>laws</u> allowing for <u>Self-Settled DAPTs</u>:

Alaska	Missouri	Tennessee
Connecticut	Nevada	Utah
Delaware	New Hampshire	Virginia
Hawaii	Ohio	West Virginia
Indiana	Oklahoma	Wyoming
Michigan	Rhode Island	
Mississippi	South Dakota	

- Grantor as current beneficiary
- Grantor as possible future beneficiary added by trust protector from class of beneficiaries (i.e. Hybrid Dynasty Trust)
 - **Example** Grantor's grandparents' descendants



Various Trust Distributions Options:



- Mandatory Distribution Standards:
 - All income distributed
 - 1/3 of principal age 25, 1/3 of principal age 30, balance 35
 - Not great for state income tax savings and asset protection
- <u>Discretionary Support Interest</u>:
 - Health, Education, Maintenance and Support (HEMS) distributions
 - Better for state income tax savings and asset protection
- Total Discretionary Trust:
 - Total discretion best interests of beneficiary
 - Powerful for state income tax savings and asset protection



Grantor - Control & Flexibility - Asset Protection:



- Discretionary trust
- Self-settled and third-party trusts
- Discretionary interest in trust is not:

 Property Interest
 Enforceable Right
 - Rather a "mere expectancy"
 - > Same with limited power of appointment and remainder interest
 - Follows Restatement Second and case law
 - Statutes Alaska, Delaware, Nevada, and South Dakota
 - Most states follow Restatement Third (possible problems)



Spendthrift Clause:



- Both third party and self-settled trusts
- All trust jurisdictions offer asset protection through the incorporation of the spendthrift clause to a trust
- Spendthrift clause:
 - Prevents the attachment or assignment of a beneficiary's interest in a trust
 - Prevents all but exception creditors from attaching the trust
- Spendthrift clause exception creditors:
 - Alimony
 - Child Support
- Problem cases:
 - Florida case: Berlinger v. Casselberry, 38 Fla. L. Weekly D 2482 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. Nov. 27, 2013); companion case Berlinger v. Casselberry, 38 Fla. L. Weekly D 2480 (Fla. Dist. Ct. App. Nov. 27, 2013)
 - Massachusetts cases:
 - Pfannenstiehl v. Pfannenstiehl, Mass. App. Ct., Nos. 13-P-906, 13-P-686 & 13-P-1385, August 27, 2015 rev'd, 2016 WL 4131248, SJC 12031 (Mass. August 4, 2016)
 - Levitan v Rosen, Mass. Appeals Court No 18-P-847, May 6, 2019
 - <u>California case</u>: In re Cameron-Pallanck, 2011 Cal. App. Unpub. LEXIS 2824 (Cal. Ct. App. 2011)
- Please note: Court determines if beneficiary has property interest under state law [or] whether the interest has any value
- Solution to spendthrift clause exception creditors:
 - Discretionary interest in trust is not a property right statute (AK, DE, NV & SD)

*Source: Al W. King III, "Tips From the Pros: The Trust Spendthrift Provision – Does it Really Protect?" Trusts & Estates Magazine, December 2016



Non-grantor Trusts – Trust Separate Taxpayer (Excluded from Estate):



- Trust saves state income and capital gains taxes if no income tax state
- Selected no income tax trust states AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, WY
- <u>Discretionary trusts</u> N.C. Dep't of Revenue v. Kimberley Rice Kaestner 1992 Family Trust, 139 S. Ct. 2213 (2019)
- Other recent favorable cases for taxpayer:
 - PA McNeil v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (2013)
 - <u>IL</u> <u>Linn v. Department of Revenue (The Pritzker Case) (2014)</u>
 - MN Fielding v. Commissioner of Revenue (2018)
- <u>Distribution</u> to <u>beneficiary from trust taxed</u> if <u>beneficiary</u> is a <u>resident</u> of a <u>state</u> with an <u>income tax</u>



Grantor Trusts (Excluded from Estate):



- <u>Definition</u> grantor <u>retains</u> one or more <u>powers</u> over the <u>trust</u> so that the <u>trust income</u> is <u>taxable</u> to
 the <u>grantor</u> but <u>not included</u> in the <u>grantor</u>'s <u>estate</u>.
- Four popular ways to cause grantor trust status but not inclusion in the gross estate:
 - 1. Loan power to grantor for less than adequate security
 - 2. Actual loan to grantor
 - 3. Add charitable beneficiaries
 - 4. Swap power see Rev. Rul. 2008-22 for two requirements:
 - 1. Equivalent value; and
 - 2. Exercise of power can't shift beneficial interests
- Grantor trust tax reimbursement clause



Revenue Ruling 2004-64:



- Discretionary power of <u>independent trustee</u> to <u>reimburse grantor</u> for <u>income taxes</u> of <u>grantor trust</u> will <u>not cause</u> inclusion in estate
 - Power does not make grantor a trust beneficiary
 - Can't be implied agreement
 - Reformation/Modification
- <u>Allows</u> grantor's <u>creditors</u> to <u>get</u> at <u>reimbursable amount</u> if no state statute [or] not self-settled state that protects such discretionary payments
 - Clause states reimbursement only for preceding tax year
 - Direct payment versus reimbursement only taxing authority can get at it
- Selected State Statutes:
 - AK, DE, NV, NH, NY, SD, WY
 - NY Statute è 5/31/05 EPTL § 7-3.1

EPTL § 7.31(d): "If a trustee has discretionary power to reimburse grantor for income tax payments or to pay taxing authorities directly (under EPTL § 7.11(a) or governing instrument) the trust shall not be considered for use of grantor."

- Alternatives:
 - Spouse as beneficiary of trust
 - Self-cancelling installment note (SCIN) higher Section 1274 rates



Spousal Powers – Control & Flexibility:



Trusts established by grantor:

- Power to remove and replace trustees & other fiduciaries
- Power to be co-trustees and fiduciaries
 - Investment and distribution committees
- Power to be a beneficiary of both:
 - Third party trusts

[and]

Self-settled trusts



Beneficiary Powers - Control & Flexibility:



Trusts established by grantor:

- Power to be co-trustees and fiduciaries
 - Investment & distribution committees
- Power to remove & replace trustees & fiduciaries
- Limited powers of appointment
- General powers of appointment older family beneficiary
 - Step-up in basis
 - High estate tax exemptions





Summary of Family, Independent, and Administrative Fiduciary Powers



Roles – Trustees and Fiduciaries	Family Trustee or Fiduciary	Independent Trustee or Fiduciary	Administrative Trustee
Primary Role	The Family Trustee will control most distributions and will look out for the interests of the beneficiaries	The Independent Trustee will have certain responsibilities, and be able to make certain types of distributions, that the Family Trustee cannot perform without adverse transfer tax consequences	The Administrative Trustee provides trust administrative functions. This role is necessary to ensure that the trust always has sufficient contacts with its chosen trust situs
Initial Appointee	Spouse and/or adult children	Either Independent Institutional Trustee, may also be administrative trustee or an individual who is not an employee or related to the trust beneficiaries by blood or marriage (i.e. CPA, lawyer) - Check tax consequences	Independent Institutional Trustee (AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN, WY)
Distribution Powers	May distribute income or principal for beneficiaries' needs (health, education, maintenance, and support)	May distribute income or principal for beneficiaries' best interests	May distribute income or principal for beneficiaries best interests
Investment Powers	May impose Investment Guidelines, appoint an Investment Committee to direct, or delegate the administration of investments to an Investment Advisor	Unless an Investment Trustee is appointed, must approve any investments that would create a potential conflict of interest with the Family Trustee	Administers investments, subject to Investment Guidelines or Investment Trustee/Committee, unless power is delegated to an Investment Advisor
Removal of Trustee (which hopefully never becomes necessary)	By donor during his lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives. After both donor and spouse are deceased, successor selected by a majority of the adult, competent beneficiaries of the trust	By donor during his lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives; after both donor and spouse are deceased, the Independent Trustee may be removed by the Family Trustee	By donor during his lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives. After both donor and spouse are deceased, the Independent Trustee may be removed by the Family Trustee and the Independent Trustee acting together
Appointment of Successor Trustee Upon Trustee's Death, Incapacity, Resignation, or Removal	By donor during lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives; after both donor and spouse are deceased, successor selected by a majority of the adult, competent beneficiaries of the trust	By donor during his lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives; after both donor and spouse are deceased, successor selected by the Family Trustee (but may be rejected by a majority of the adult, competent beneficiaries of the trust)	By donor during his lifetime, then by donor's spouse as long as she survives; after both donor and spouse are deceased, successor selected by the Family Trustee and the Independent Trustee acting together (incase of deadlock, by a majority of the adult, competent beneficiaries of the trust)
Who may serve	Any individual, but typically members of the trust beneficiaries' family	Either Independent Institutional Trustee, LLC or an individual not an employee or related to the trust beneficiaries by blood or marriage (i.e. CPA, lawyer) - Check tax consequences	Independent Institutional Trustee (AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN, WY)

Other Clauses – Control and Flexibility with Trusts:



- Change of situs and law
- Decanting
- Judicial and non-judicial reformation/modification
- Future family defined



Investment Flexibility and Control:



- Modern directed trust (AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN and WY)
- · No requirement to diversify trust investments/assets
 - Can hold large concentration in one stock (public or closely-held)
- Ability to provide broad asset allocation models for trust assets, for example:

Harvard University Endowment:

Asset Class	Strategic Asset Allocation
Public Equity	10.5%
Private Equity	7.0%
Hedge Funds	11.5%
Real Estate	20.0%
Natural Resources	14.0%
Bonds/TIPS	14.5%
Other Real Assets	10.0%
Cash & Other	9.0%

Source: Harvard University Endowment, Harvard Management Company, 2020

Yale University Endowment:

Asset Class	Strategic Asset Allocation
Absolute Return	23.5%
Venture Capital	23.5%
Leveraged Buyouts	17.5%
Foreign Equity	11.75%
Real Estate	9.5%
Bonds and Cash	7.5%
Natural Resources	4.5%
Domestic Equity	2.25%

Source: Yale University Endowment, Yale University Investments Office, 2020

- · Investment committee responsible for initial <u>due diligence</u> and <u>quarterly monitoring</u> of investment assets
 - Directed Administrative Trustee does not have to interfere
- Excellent <u>control</u> and <u>flexibility</u> in both up and down economic cycles
- <u>Fiduciary Liability</u>: Investment Committee Subject to gross negligence/willful misconduct standard (liability much higher with delegated trust)



Control and Flexibility with Family Residences or Vacation Homes and Trusts:



- Purchase Residential Real Estate For Child or Grandchild:
 - Rather than purchase home outright for child or grandchild, <u>purchase in trust</u> so divorce & creditor proof
 - Children or grandchildren live rent-free: "use" provision
 - Creditors?
- Grantor Transfer Existing Residential Real Estate
 - Qualified Personal Residence Trust (QPRT):
 - Typically uses too much of gift tax exemption
 - Cannot get house back out of QPRT
 - Not a GST trust
 - Sale of remainder interest to Dynasty Trust
 - IRC section 7520 rate
 - Grantor lease back
 - Promissory Note Sale of residential real estate to Defective Grantor Trust
 - GST trust
 - Leverages gift and GST exemptions 9 to 1
 - Can get house back out of trust if desired (Step-up in cost basis?)
 - IRC section 1274 rate (lower hurdle than IRC section 7520 rate of QPRT)
 - "Use" factor
 - Family time share
 - Grantor lease back
- Administration LLC owned by trust owns residence
 - Family and/or family advisors manager of LLC



Control and Flexibility for Family Heirlooms and Other Treasured Property:



- Purpose trust statute (no beneficiaries protects an asset(s)):
- Definition:
 - Trust that **exists** for stated (non-charitable) **purpose**
 - Established to <u>care</u> for "<u>something</u>" <u>rather than "someone</u>"
 - No beneficiaries
- Trust Enforcer:
 - Appointed to ensure the trustees carrying out their obligations in fulfilling the trust's purpose
 - Ability to go to court
 - Also <u>Trust Protector</u>: Amend trust if needed in event circumstances change
 - · May reform/modify to beneficiary trust in the future
 - · May combine Trust Enforcer and Trust Protector functions
 - South Dakota: First domestic Trust Protector statute (top ranked)
- <u>Taxes</u>: Typically <u>excluded</u> from <u>estate</u> as completed gift dynasty trusts (either grantor or non-grantor)
 - Also pour over revocable purpose trust with dynasty provisions
- Statutes: DE, NV, NH, SD, TN, WY (Dynasty and long term)

Please note: Future publication: "Trusts without Beneficiaries - What is the Purpose?"" by Al W. King III, Trusts & Estates magazine, Feb 2015



Poll: How many of you have established a purpose trust?



- ☐ Yes
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Examples of Purpose Trust Assets:



- Pet care (i.e., dogs, cats, horses, birds, tortoises, snakes, etc.)
 - Including offspring
- Maintenance of grave sites (honorary)
 - · Also supporting religious ceremonies (anniversaries, etc.)
- Maintenance of family property (i.e., antiques, cars, jewelry, memorabilia, etc.)
- Maintenance of an art collection
- Maintain family homes (residence and vacation)
- Long term maintenance of building, property or land
- Maintain business interests
- Royalties
- Digital assets
- Provide for philanthropic purpose not qualifying for a charitable deduction
- Cryogenics
- Own and maintain Private Family Trust Companies
- Own and maintain Special Purpose Entities/Trust Protector Companies



Grantor, Spouse and Beneficiaries – Distribution Trustees/Fiduciaries:



- **SLAT** Spousal Lifetime Access Trust
- <u>Dynasty/GST</u> (Generation Skipping Trust)
- **ING** Incomplete Non-grantor Trust



Summary of Popular Year End (12/31/20) Planning Options:



	GST Exemption Allocated	Grantor v. Non- Grantor	Situs
Dynasty Trust	Yes (Excluded from estate)	Either	AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN, WY
SLAT	Optional (Excluded from estate)	Grantor	AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN, WY
SLANT	Optional (Excluded from estate)	Non-Grantor	AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, WY
ING	No (Included in estate)	Non-grantor	AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, WY

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Dynasty Trust - Overview:



- What is a Dynasty Trust?
 - A <u>Dynasty Trust</u> is an <u>irrevocable trust</u> drafted to provide a substantial <u>legacy</u> promoting family values for <u>current</u> and <u>future</u> <u>generations</u>, for a long term or in perpetuity
 - i.e. Spouse, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, unborns etc.
- Why use a Dynasty Trust?
 - \$11.58 million estate, gift and GST tax exemptions (\$23.16m for married couple)
 - A Dynasty Trust minimizes federal and state death taxes in perpetuity, if properly structured
 - · i.e. no death taxes at the death of the grantor's children, grandchildren and any other descendants
 - No state income tax
 - Asset protection wealth preservation
 - Provides maximum control and flexibility to deal with future uncertainties
 - Spouse and family as beneficiaries
 - Grantor as discretionary beneficiary if self-settled
 - Spouse and family beneficiaries investment and distribution fiduciaries
- What are the typical assets used to fund a Dynasty Trust?
 - LLCs, partnerships, closely-held entities, securities, real estate, family business, art, etc.
- Where to establish a Dynasty Trust?
 - Long-term or perpetual directed trust state with no income tax
 - E.g., (AK, DE, NH, NV, SD, TN and WY)

Example: SLAT Design – Non-Reciprocal



SLAT	Husband Trust fbo Wife	Wife Trust fbo Husband
Administrative Trustee:	South Dakota Trust Company LLC (SDTC)	South Dakota Trust Company LLC (SDTC)
Beneficiaries	Wife, son and son's descendants (Wife needs being primary)	Husband, son and son's descendants (Husband needs being primary)
Distribution Advisor/Committee (DA)	SDTC	Husband (HEMS) SDTC (Independent)
Successor DA	SDTC	SDTC
Investment Advisor/LLC Manager	Husband	Husband
Successor Investment Advisor/Committee	Wife, then children/primary beneficiary	Husband, then children/primary beneficiary
Distribution Standard	Fully discretionary	HEMS distributions by "interested DA"; fully discretionary by "independent DA"
Assets to be contributed	Form single member LLC to hold assets once transferred to trust	Form single member LLC to hold assets once transferred to trust
Power of Appointment	Wife has LPOA exercisable in favor of descendants and charity	Husband has LPOA exercisable in favor of descendants only
Trust Protector	CPA or trusted family advisor	CPA or trusted family advisor
Withdrawal Right	Wife has "5x5" power to withdraw greater of \$5,000 or 5% of trust assets on annual basis	None
Funding Dates	Before 12/31/20 to utilize \$11.58 million estate, gift and GST exemptions	Before 12/31/20 to utilize \$11.58 million estate, gift and GST exemptions



Incomplete Non-Grantor Trust (ING):



- What is an ING trust?
 - A <u>non-grantor trust</u> for <u>income tax purposes</u> (i.e. the trust is responsible for tax payments)
 - An **incomplete gift** for **transfer tax purposes** (i.e. the trust remains in the grantor's estate)
- Why use an ING trust?
 - An ING trust can be an effective strategy to <u>save state</u> and <u>local income taxes</u>
- What are the typical assets used to fund an ING trust?
 - Appreciated assets or property that is anticipated after transfer
 - E.g., sale of closely-held business or sale of a family business or the sale of an appreciated concentrated stock position
 - Generally does not minimize "source income"
- Where to establish an ING trust?
 - No income tax state with self-settled statutes (i.e. DAPT states)
 - E.g., DE, NV, SD, WY



Incomplete Non-Grantor Trust ("ING) (Cont'd):



- Non-grantor trust/includable in the grantor's estate
 - Key to <u>avoid</u> drafting <u>grantor trust</u> status
 - Trust assets are <u>includable</u> in the <u>grantor's estate</u>
- Establishing in a <u>DAPT state</u> with an institutional trustee in the DAPT state (e.g. Delaware, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming)
- Grantor, spouse, descendants, family members may be beneficiaries
- <u>Distribution committee</u> consists of <u>grantor and</u> "<u>adverse parties</u>" within the meaning of 672(a)
 - Adverse parties' <u>consent</u> required for grantor or spouse to receive discretionary distributions
 - Adverse = other trust beneficiaries
- Power of appointments to ensure not a completed gift
 - Grantor retains a <u>limited testamentary power of appointment</u>; and
 - Grantor retains a <u>lifetime power of appointment</u> or <u>distribution power</u>



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