Ron LeGrand's How To Structure And Protect Your Empire

I Am Not An Attorney

What We'll Cover:

- Land Trusts
- Corporations
- Asset Protection
- How it all works together

Land Trusts....

What are they?



Why do I need one?

Privacy...ease of transfer, liens don't attach.

Do I need an attorney?

WARRANTY DEED TO TRUSTEE

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| trust | agreement | dated | the | day of | | | , | 20, | known | as | Trust | Number |
| | _ | | the following | described | real es | state in the | Cou | nty of _ | | | | State of |
| | | , 1 | to wit: | | | | | | | | | |

Together with all the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto, belonging or in anywise appertaining.

To have and to hold the said premises in fee simple forever, with the appurtenances attached thereto upon the trust and for the uses and purposes herein and in said Trust Agreement set forth.

Full power and authority granted to said Trustee, with respect to the said premises or any part of it, and at any time or times, to subdivide said premises or any part thereof, to dedicate parks, streets, highways or alleys and to vacate any subdivision or part thereof, and to resubdivide said property as often as desired, to contract to sell, to grant options to purchase, to sell on any terms, to convey either with or without consideration, to donate, to mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber said property, or any part thereof, to lease said property or any part thereof, from time to time, in possession or reversion by leases to commence now or later, and upon any terms and for any period or periods of time and to renew or extend leases upon any terms and for any period or periods of time and to amend, change, or modify leases and the terms and provisions thereof at any time hereafter, to contract to make leases and to grant options to lease and options to renew leases and options to purchase the whole or any part of the reversion and to contract respecting the manner of fixing the amount of present or future renters, to partition or to exchange said property or any part thereof for other real or personal property, to grant easements or changes of any kind, to release, convey or assign any right, title or interest in or about or easement appurtenant to said premises or any part thereof, and to deal with said property and every part thereof in all other ways and for such other considerations as it would be lawful for any person owning the same to deal with the same, whether similar to or different from the ways above specified, at any time or times hereafter.

In No Case shall any party dealing with the said trustee in relation to said premises, to whom said premises or any part thereof shall be conveyed, contracted to be sold, leased or mortgaged by said trustee, be obliged to see to the application of any purchase money, rent, or money borrowed or advanced on said premises, or be obliged to see that the terms of this trust have been complied with, or be obliged to inquire into the necessity or expediency of any act of said trustee, or be obliged to privileged to inquire into any of the terms of said trust agreement; and every deed, mortgage, lease or other instrument executed by said trustee in relation to said real estate shall be conclusive evidence in favor of every person relying upon or claiming under such conveyance, lease or other instrument, (a) that at the time of delivery thereof, the trust created by this Indenture and by said trust agreement was in full force and effect, (b) that such conveyance or other instrument was executed in full accordance of the trust's conditions and limitations contained herein and in said trustee was duly

authorized and empowered to execute and deliver every such deed, trust deed, lease, mortgage or other instrument.

The Interest of each and every beneficiary hereunder and of all persons claiming under them or any of them shall be only in the earnings, avails, and proceeds arising from the sale or other disposition of said real estate, and such interest is hereby declared to be personal property. No beneficiary hereunder shall have any title or interest legal or equitable, in or to said real estate as such, but only an interest in the earnings, avails and proceeds thereof as aforesaid.

And the grantor hereby covenants with said grantee that the grantor is lawfully seized of said land in fee simple; that the grantor has good right and lawful authority to sell and convey said land; that the grantor hereby fully warrants the title to said land and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever; and that said land is free of all encumbrances, except taxes accruing subsequent to December 31, 20_____.

| Witness | Seal | |
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| Witness | Seal | |
| State of | | |

County of

I Hereby Certify that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared

to me known as the person(s) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and Acknowledged before me that executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal in the county and State last aforesaid this _____day of , 20 A.D.,

> Notary Public My commission expires_____

AGREEMENT AND DECLARATION OF TRUST

| 1 | THIS AGRE | EEMENT ANI | D DECL | ARATIO | N OF | TRUST Is | made and er | itered ii | nto this | | | _ day |
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IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Trust Property.</u> The Beneficiaries are about to convey or cause to be conveyed to the Trustee by deed, absolute in form, the property described in the attached Exhibit "A", which said property shall be held by the Trustee, in trust, for the following uses and purposes, under the terms of this Agreement and shall be hereinafter referred to as the "Trust Property".
- <u>Consideration</u>. No consideration was paid by Trustee for such conveyance. The conveyance will be accepted and will be held by Trustee subject to all existing encumbrances, easements, restrictions or other clouds or claims against the title thereto, whether the same are of record or otherwise. The property will be held on the trusts, terms and conditions, and for the purposes hereinafter set forth, until the whole of the trust estate is conveyed, free of this trust, as hereinafter provided.
- Beneficiaries. The persons named in the attached Exhibit "B" are the Beneficiaries of this Trust, and as such, shall be entitled to all of the earnings, avails and proceeds of the Trust Property according to their interests set opposite their respective names.
- <u>Interests.</u> The interests of the Beneficiaries shall consist solely of the following rights respecting the Trust Property:

 The right to direct the Trustee to convey or otherwise deal with the title to the Trust Property as hereinafter set out.

- The right to manage and control the Trust Property.
- c. The right to receive the proceeds and avails from the rental, sale, mortgage, or other disposition of the Trust Property.

The foregoing rights shall be deemed to be personal property and may be assigned and otherwise transferred as such. No Beneficiary shall have any legal or equitable right, title or interest, as realty, in or to any real estate held in trust under this Agreement, or the right to require partition of that real estate, but shall have only the rights, as personally, set out above, and the death of a Beneficiary shall not terminate this Trust or in any manner affect the powers of the Trustee.

Powers of Trustee.

a. With the consent of the Beneficiary, the Trustee shall have authority to issue notes or bonds and to secure the payment of the same by mortgaging the whole or any part of the Trust Property; to borrow money, giving notes therefore signed by him in his capacity as Trustee; to invest such part of the capital and the profits thereform and the proceeds of the sale of bonds and notes in such real estate, equities in real estate, and mortgages in real estate in the United States of America, as he may deem advisable.

b. With the consent of the Beneficiary, the Trustee shall have the authority to hold the legal title to all of the Trust Property, and shall have the exclusive management and control of the property as if he were the absolute owner thereof, and the Trustee is hereby given full power to do all things and perform all acts which in his judgment are necessary and proper for the protection of the Trust Property and for the interest of the Beneficiaries in the property of the Trust, subject to the restrictions, terms, and conditions herein set forth.

c. Without prejudice to the general powers conferred on the Trustee hereunder, it is hereby declared that the Trustee shall have the following powers, with the consent of the Beneficiaries:

 To purchase any real property for the Trust at such times and on such terms as may seem advisable; to assume mortgages upon the property.

(2) To sell at public auction or private sale, to barter, to exchange, or to dispose of otherwise, any part, or the whole of the Trust Property which may, from time to time form part of the Trust estate, subject to such restrictions and for such consideration for cash and for credit, and generally upon such terms and conditions as may seem judicious, to secure payment upon any loan or loans of the Trust, by mortgage with or without power of sale, and to include such provisions, terms, and conditions as may seem desirable.

(3) To rent or lease the whole or any part of the Trust Property for long or short terms, but not for terms exceeding the term of the Trust then remaining.

(4) To repair, alter, tear down, add to, or erect any building or buildings upon land belonging to the Trust; to fill, grade, drain, improve, and otherwise develop any land

belonging to the Trust; to carry on, operate, or manage any building, apartment house, or hotel belonging to the Trust.

(5) To make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver all deeds, releases, mortgages, leases, contracts, agreements, instruments, and other obligations of whatsoever nature relating to the Trust Property, and generally to have full power to do all things and perform all acts necessary to make the instruments proper and legal.

(6) To collect notes, obligations, dividends, and all other payments that may be due and payable to the Trust; to deposit the proceeds thereof, as well as any other moneys from whatsoever source they may be derived, in any suitable bank or depository, and to draw the same from time to time for the purposes herein provided.

(7) To pay all lawful taxes and assessments and the necessary expenses of the Trust; to employ such officers, brokers, engineers, architects, carpenters, contractors, agents, counsel, and such other persons as may seem expedient, to designate their duties and fix their compensation; to fix a reasonable compensation for their own services to the Trust, as organizers thereof.

(8) To represent the Trust and the Beneficiaries in all suits and legal proceedings relating to the Trust Property in any court of law of equity, or before any other bodies or tribunals; to begin suits and to prosecute them to final judgment or decree; to compromise claims or suits, and to submit the same to arbitration when, in his judgment, such course is necessary or proper.

(9) To arrange and pay for and keep in force in the name and for the benefit of the Trustee, such insurance as the Trustee may deem advisable, in such companies, in such amounts, and against such risks as determined necessary by the Trustee.

 <u>Duties of Trustee</u>. It shall be the duty of the Trustee in addition to the other duties herein imposed upon him:

a. To keep a careful and complete record of all the beneficial interests in the Trust Property with the name and residence of the person or persons owning such beneficial interest, and such other items as he may deem of importance or as may be required by the Beneficiaries.

b. To keep careful and accurate books showing the receipts and disbursements of the Trust and also of the Trust Property, and such other items as he may deem of importance or as the Beneficiaries hereunder may require.

c. To keep books of the Trust open to the inspection of the Beneficiaries at such reasonable times, at the main office of the Trust as they may appoint. d. To furnish the Beneficiaries at special meetings at which the same shall be requested a careful, accurate, written report of his transactions as Trustee hereunder, of the financial standing of the Trust, and of such other information concerning the affairs of the Trust as they shall request.

e. To sell the Trust Property and distribute the proceeds therefrom:

(1) If any property shall remain in trust under this Agreement for a term which exceeds that allowed under applicable state law, the Trustee forthwith shall sell same at public sale after a reasonable public advertisement and reasonable notice to the Beneficiaries and, after deducting his reasonable fees and expenses, he shall divide the proceeds of the sale among the Beneficiaries as their interests may then appear, without any direction or consent whatsoever, or

(2) To transfer, set over, convey and deliver to all the then Beneficiaries of this Trust their respective undivided interests in any non-divisible assets, or

(3) To transfer, set over and deliver all of the assets of the Trust to its Beneficiaries, in their respective proportionate shares, at any time when the assets of the Trust consist solely of cash.

- <u>Compensation of Trustee</u>. The Beneficiaries jointly and severally agree that the Trustee shall receive the sum of \$______ per month for his services as Trustee hereunder.
- Liability of Trustee. The Trustee and his successor as Trustee shall not be required to give a bond, and each Trustee shall be liable only for his own acts and then only as a result of his own gross negligence or bad faith.
- <u>Removal of Trustee</u>. The Beneficiaries shall have the power to remove a Trustee from his office or appoint a successor to succeed him.
- <u>Resignation and Successor.</u>

a. Any Trustee may resign his office with thirty (30) days written notice to Beneficiaries and Beneficiaries shall proceed to elect a new Trustee to take the place of the Trustee who had resigned, but the resignation shall not take effect until a certificate thereof, signed, sealed, and acknowledged by the Trustee, and a certificate of the election of the new Trustee, signed and sworn to by the Beneficiaries and containing an acceptance of the office, signed and acknowledged by the new Trustee, shall have been procured in a form which is acceptable for recording in the registries of deeds of all the counties in which properties held under this instrument are situated. If the Beneficiaries shall fail to elect a new Trustee within thirty (30) days after the resignation, then the

Trustee may petition any appropriate court in this state to accept his resignation and appoint a new Trustee.

b. Any vacancy in the office of Trustee, whether arising from death or from any other cause not herein provided for, shall be filled within thirty (30) days from the date of the vacancy and the Beneficiaries shall proceed to elect a new Trustee to fill the vacancy, and immediately thereafter shall cause to be prepared a certificate of the election containing an acceptance of the office, signed, sealed, and acknowledged by the new Trustee, which shall be in a form acceptable for recording in the registries of deeds of all the counties in which properties held under this instrument are situated.

c. Whenever a new Trustee shall have been elected or appointed to the office of Trustee and shall have assumed the duties of office, he shall succeed to the title of all the properties of the Trust and shall have all the powers and be subject to all the restrictions granted to or imposed upon the Trustee by this agreement, and every Trustee shall have the same powers, rights, and interests regarding the Trust Property, and shall be subject to the same restrictions and duties as the original Trustee, except as the same shall have been modified by amendment, as herein provided for.

d. Notwithstanding any such resignation, the Trustee shall continue to have a lien on the Trust Property for all costs, expenses and attorney's fees incurred and for said Trustee's reasonable compensation.

- 11. Objects and Purposes of Trust. The objects and purposes of this Trust shall be to hold title to the Trust Property and to protect and conserve it until its sale or other disposition or liquidation. The Trustee shall not undertake any activity not strictly necessary to the attainment of the foregoing objects and purposes, nor shall the Trustee transact business within the meaning of applicable state law, or any other law, nor shall this Agreement be deemed to be, or create or evidence the existence of a corporation, de facto or dejure, or a Massachusetts Trust, or any other type of business trust, or an association in the nature of a corporation, or a co partnership or joint venture by or between the Trustee and the Beneficiaries, or by or between the Beneficiaries.
- 12. <u>Exculpation</u>. The Trustee shall have no power to bind the Beneficiaries personally and, in every written contract he may enter into, reference shall be made to this declaration; and any person or corporation contracting with the Trustee, as well as any beneficiary, shall look to the funds and the Trust Property for payment under such contract, or for the payment of any debt, mortgage, judgment, or decree, or for any money that may otherwise become due or payable, whether by reason or failure of the Trustee to perform the contract, or for any other reason, and neither the Trustee nor the Beneficiaries shall be liable personally therefore.
- Dealings with Trustee. No party dealing with the Trustee in relation to the Trust Property in any 13. manner whatsoever, and, without limiting the foregoing, no party to whom the property or any part of it or any interest in it shall be conveyed, contracted to be sold, leased or mortgaged by the Trustee, shall be obliged to see to the application of any purchase money, rent or money borrowed or otherwise advanced on the property; to see that the terms of this Trust Agreement have been complied with; to inquire into the authority, necessity or expediency of any act of the Trustee; or be privileged to inquire into any of the terms of this Trust Agreement. Every deed, mortgage, lease or other instrument executed by the Trustee in relation to the Trust Property shall be conclusive evidence in favor of every person claiming any right. title or interest under the Trust that at the time of its delivery the Trust created under this Agreement was in full force and effect; and that instrument was executed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and all its amendments, if any, and is binding upon all Beneficiaries under it; that the Trustee was duly authorized and empowered to execute and deliver every such instrument; if a conveyance has been made to a successor or successors in trust, that the successor or successors have been appointed properly and are vested fully with all the title, estate, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its, his or their predecessor in Trust.
- 14. <u>Recording of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall not be placed on record in the county in which the Trust Property is situated, or elsewhere, but if it is so recorded, that recording shall not be considered as notice of the rights of any person under this Agreement derogatory to the title or powers of the Trustee.
- <u>Name of Trustee</u>. The name of the Trustee shall not be used by the Beneficiaries in connection with any advertising or other publicity whatsoever without the written consent of the Trustee.
- 16. <u>Income Tax Returns.</u> The Trustee shall be obligated to file any income tax returns with respect to the Trust, as required by law, and the Beneficiaries individually shall report and pay their share of income taxes on the earnings and avails of the Trust Property or growing out of their interest under this Trust.
- 17. <u>Assignment.</u> The interest of a Beneficiary, or any part of that interest, may be transferred only by a written assignment, executed in duplicate and delivered to the Trustee. The Trustee shall note its acceptance on the original and duplicate original of the assignment, retaining the original and delivering the duplicate original to the assignee as and for evidence of ownership of a beneficial interest under this Agreement. No assignment of any interest under this Agreement, other than by operation of law, that is not so executed, delivered and accepted shall be valid without the written approval of all of the other Beneficiaries who possess the power of direction. No person who is vested with the power of direction, but who is not a Beneficiary under this Agreement, shall assign that power without the written consent of all the Beneficiaries.

- 18. Individual Liability of Trustee. The Trustee shall not be required, in dealing with the Trust Property or in otherwise acting under this Agreement, to enter into any individual contract or other individual obligation whatsoever; nor to make himself individually liable to pay or incur the payment of any damages, attorney's fees, fines, and penalties, forfeitures, costs, charges or other sums of money whatsoever. The Trustee shall have no individual liability or obligation whatsoever arising from his ownership, as Trustee, of the legal title to the Trust Property, or with respect to any act done or contract entered into or indebtedness incurred by him in dealing with the Trust Property or in otherwise acting under this Agreement, except only as far as the Trust Property and any trust funds in the actual possession of the Trustee shall be applicable to the payment and discharge of that liability or obligation.
- 19. Reimbursement and Indemnification of Trustee. If the Trustee shall pay or incur any liability to pay any money on account of this Trust, or incur any liability to pay any money on account of being made a party to any litigation as a result of holding title to Trust Property or otherwise in connection with this Trust, whether because of breach of contract, injury to person or property, fines or penalties under any law, or otherwise, the Beneficiaries, jointly and severally agree that on demand they will pay to the Trustee, with interest at the rate of % per annum, all such payments made or liabilities incurred by the Trustee, together with his expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, and that they will indemnify and hold the Trustee harmless of and from any and all payments made or liabilities incurred by him for any reason whatsoever as a result of this Agreement; and all amounts so paid by the Trustee, as well as his compensation under this Agreement, shall constitute a lien on the Trust Property. The Trustee shall not be required to convey or otherwise deal with the Trust property as long as any money is due to the Trustee under this Agreement; nor shall the Trustee be required to advance or pay out any money on account of this Trust or to prosecute or defend any legal proceedings involving this Trust or any property or interest under this Agreement unless he shall be furnished with sufficient funds or be indemnified to his satisfaction.
- Entire_Agreement, This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties and may be amended, revoked, or terminated only by written agreement signed by the Trustee and all of the Beneficiaries.
- 21. <u>Governing Law.</u> This agreement, and all transactions contemplated hereby, shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of ______. The parties herein waive trial by jury and agree to submit to the personal jurisdiction and venue of a court of subject matter jurisdiction located in ______ County, State of ______. In the event that litigation results from or arises out of this Agreement or the performance thereof, the parties agree to reimburse the prevailing party's reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and all other expenses, whether or not taxable by the court as costs, in addition to any other relief to which the prevailing party may be entitled. In such event, no action shall be entertained by said court or any court of competent jurisdiction if filed more than one year subsequent to the date the cause(s) of action actually accrued regardless of whether damages were otherwise as of said time calculable.
- <u>Binding Effect</u>. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor trustee under it, as well as upon the executors, administrators, heirs, assigns and all other successors in interest of the Beneficiaries.
- <u>Trustee's Liability to Beneficiaries.</u> The Trustee shall be liable to the Beneficiaries for the value of their respective beneficial interests only to the extent of the property held in Trust by him hereunder and the Beneficiaries shall enforce such liability only against the Trust Property and not against the Trustee personally.
- 24. <u>Annual Statements.</u> There shall be no annual meeting of the Beneficiaries, but the Trustee shall prepare an annual report of their receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year preceding, which fiscal year shall coincide with the calendar year, and a copy of the report shall be sent by mail to the Beneficiaries not later than February 28 of each year.
- 25. <u>Termination</u>. This trust may be terminated at any time by the Beneficiaries and with thirty (30) days written notice of termination delivered to the Trustee, the Trustee shall execute any and all documents necessary to vest fee simple marketable title to any and all Trust Property in Beneficiaries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

BENEFICIARIES

Witness Witness Witness Witness Witness Witness Witness Witness Trustee Witness STATE OF COUNTY OF_ Before me personally appeared _ to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this day of _____, 20____

Notary Public State of _____ My Commission Expires:

(SEAL)

| STATE OF | |
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| COUNTY OF | |

Before me personally appeared _______to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this day of _____, 20____

(SEAL)

Notary Public State of ______ My Commission Expires:

STATE OF_____ COUNTY OF_____

Before me personally appeared ________to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this day of _____, 20____

(SEAL)

Notary Public State of ______ My Commission Expires:

STATE OF_____ COUNTY OF_____

Before me personally appeared ________ to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this day of _____, 20____

Notary Public State of _____ My Commission Expires: EXHIBIT "B "

| Name and Address | Interest | |
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Deed must be recorded

No transfer tax

Should my home be in one?

What about Homestead Exemption?

Can the bank call the loan?

Garn St. Germain Depository Institution Act of 1982

What if I get a bank loan?

No tax return, ID number, bank account

Who pays taxes?

Who is trustee?

Who is the beneficiary?

Would LLC work instead?

But my attorney says it won't work here? Only downside is ignorance from professionals!

What if someone convinces me you're wrong?

My attorney told me to deed my properties to my living trust.

Not a good move.

Never put your living trust or your IRA on the deed as the owner. Owners are liable.

Land trusts will only have one house. One egg in one basket.

Corporations

LLC vs. C

- Pass thru
- 12/31 end
- Draw/Distributions
- Your tax bracket

- No Pass Thru
- · Any year end
- Salary/Bonus (No Dividends)
- Own Tax Bracket

How Should You Own Your Entities and other Assets?

Tenants by the entirety

(In states where applicable)

Corporate Income Tax Rates – 2018

C-Corp—21% of net operating income.

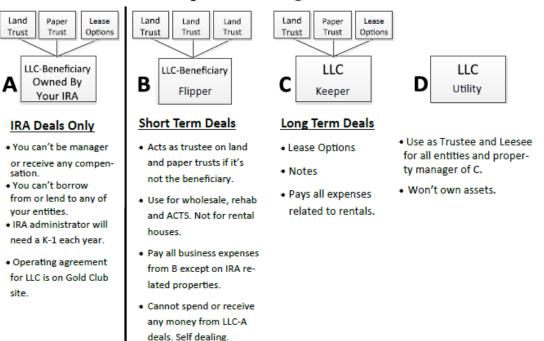
LLC & S-Corp— Deduct 20% from the NOI and the rest is taxed at the individual tax rate for members. Each will get a K-1 from your CPA.

| Taxable Income | Not Over | Tax rate |
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| \$ O | 9,525 | 10% |
| 9,526 | 38,700 | 12% |
| 38,701 | 82,500 | 22% |
| 82,501 | 157,500 | 24% |
| 157,501 | 200,000 | 32% |
| 200,001 | 500,000 | 35% |
| 500,001 | | 37% |

Individual Tax Rates

Possible Asset Protection Structure

And Proper Handling Of Your IRA



Do not set up these entities without a clear understanding of why you're doing so and the maintenance requirements for each. Seek competent legal help from an asset protection attorney and an estate planning attorney and your CPA. It usually takes a team effort to get this done properly.

- · Bank Accounts A, B, C & D
- · EIN Number A, B, C & D
- · Tax Return All entities receiving income.
- · Land Trusts and Personal Property Trusts Don't need bank account, EIN, or tax return.
- · Manager Can be you, B, C & D.
- Members-Can be you, B,C & D. Should be TBE if married and in TBE state.

Ron LeGrand's Opinion on How to Handle

Your IRA's Third Party Administrator and Eliminate the Grief

IRA Third Party Administrators (TPA) or Custodian have forms and things they must do to comply with IRS regulations. However, some TPA's take this process to the extreme and consequently make life miserable for their clients. Lately one such company literally made recommendations to their clients as to what they should not invest in, even though the suggested investment complied with all IRS regulations. Even if this weren't the case, TPA's have always been a pain to deal with because you get asked for and have to fill out a form every time you want to transfer a little money, even for an earnest money deposit so you can do a deal which slows down the process adds fees and sometimes even kills the deal when waiting.

There's an easy and legal way to fix this and I'll disclose the steps below but before I do you must know I am not an attorney, I am not a legal expert on IRA's. What you'll see is only my opinion based on 35 years' experience as a Real Estate Investor and over 15 years of teaching others how to use their IRA and grow wealthy tax free. I have however discussed this process with owners and people at a higher level at a couple TPA's and they see no issue using it. Here we go step by step.

Step 1- First you must open a <u>Roth IRA</u>. If you don't have one open, it's only a matter of your choice TPA's websites and fill out the form and send them your initial contribution. Most will do it for less than \$100.00. Currently I use QuestIRA.com but any third party administrator that is truly a self-directed company will work. You can have a <u>Roth IRA</u> open the same day you decide you want one.

Step 2- Contact the Custodian of your IRA and request their FEIN. It may be on their website. Go on your state's website and fill in a form to establish an LLC. This LLC will be 100% owned by your IRA. In order to do this you'll need a name(s) for your LLC, an officer (Manager), and an Owner. The Owner is your IRA and should be listed as "IRA, FBO Your Name, IRA #." An example would be "Quest IRA, FBO Ron LeGrand, IRA #123456." That would be the Owner of your IRA 100% member. You'll also need to order an EIN for your LLC which is different than the EIN you get from your TPA. It will only be used when asked for a social security or EIN for the owner of the LLC.

However, your LLC-A Manager cannot be you or anyone in your linear decent. IRS rules clearly state you cannot get compensated in any way for the activities of your IRA. You cannot directly control the cash in your IRA as you would as the Manager of the company who owns your IRA. My suggestion is to get a Manager that you know such as an employee, sibling, or anyone you wish except your linear decent to be your Manager. Your spouse's linear decent is also disqualified.

So, you will need to name the Manager and the Owner at the time you're forming the corporation as well as 2 or 3 potential names for your company in case one is taken. You may not use your credit card to pay the fees. If you use your credit card, it means you're paying an expense of your IRA which is a prohibited action. I suggest you use a credit card of a friend or nonlinear relative and pay them back at the time your LLC is funded by your IRA.

Want More?

Ron's *new* Structuring Your Empire Boot Camp

Jacksonville May 10-11

My attorney will be present to teach with me.

<u>LLC vs S vs C</u>

- Which to use when and why
- Requirements to maintain
- What state to incorporate
- Nevada Pros/Cons

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