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"Industry News, Helpful Hint, & Upcoming Events" eNewsletter September 26, 2023

Trusts & Estates News

This week's Trust and Estate article is: "What Clients Should Do As Clock Runs Out On Estate Planning"

(Excerpt from actual article):

Planners have long been talking about the sunset of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Now with the 2026 deadline looming, they are focusing on some of the biggest potential changes affecting estates. They note that advisors have two years to plan, which is a short period of time in the estate planning business.

You can read the article by clicking **HERE**.

Last week's Trust & Estate article was: "Get Ready: Sneak Peek Of 2024 Tax Rates!" You can read last week's eNewsletter by clicking HERE.

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Helpful Hint

This week's "Helpful Hint" is: "We now have call/put identifier lookup & ticker symbol lookup!"

We are pleased to announce that we have added two new research products!

- If you are pricing options (calls & puts) and do not have the required identifier to do so, our new Options Lookup product may just be the answer you are looking for.
- 2. If you are pricing equities and funds and do not have the required identifier to do so, our new Ticker Symbol Lookup product may just be the answer you are looking for.

We are providing <u>free</u> access to these services through December 31, 2023.



Beginning January 1, 2024, a nominal subscription fee will be instituted. If you are a <u>webappraisenj</u> subscriber, these tools are integrated, and there will be no additional cost.

Here is a short introductory video.

If you have questions, and/or want to **try the service for free until the end of the year**, please email <u>techsupport@appraisenj.net</u> or call 201-784-8500 x107.

Last week's "Helpful Hint" was: "What is dirty price vs clean price of a bond?"

You can read last week's eNewsletter by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Financial Market News

This week's Financial Market News is: "Higher for Longer Fed Sends Bond Yields Soaring"

Excerpt (from actual article):

The Federal Reserve's September meeting managed to be even more hawkish than markets had anticipated. Yields across the curve busted out to fresh multiyear highs — including the two-year rate jumping to 5.2% for the first time since well before the 2008 financial crisis.

You can read the article by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Last week's Financial Market News was: "ECB growth downgrades heighten stagnation fears" You can read last week's eNewsletter by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Upcoming Events

• Fri, Sep 29: (5:00p ET) System Maintenance - all online services will be unavailable with service being restored within a few hours.



The Weekly Fix

from BloombergMarkets

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- <u>ESI-Direct:</u> ONESOURCE Trust & Estate securities valuations without valuation software. Everything is done from within the 706, reducing steps, saving time, and increasing accuracy.
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