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"Industry News, Helpful Hint, & Upcoming Events" Newsletter
November 18, 2025

Trusts & Estates News Article:



The Estate Tax Is Dead, This Expert Says. What Comes Next

Since Congress introduced income and estate taxes, income inequality in the U.S. has increased significantly. The top 0.1% now possess about 15% of the nation's wealth, nearly twice what they held in 1990. Ray Madoff, a tax law professor at Boston College, states in her book *The Second Estate* that the estate tax is ineffective because it hasn't been updated. The last major reform occurred in 1990, and since then, changes have weakened the tax, mainly by increasing exemption amounts.

You can access the article by clicking <u>HERE</u>, or you can view the <u>PDF</u> version attached for your convenience.

Last week's Trust & Estate article was:

Recent developments in estate planning:

You can read last week's Newsletter by clicking **HERE**.

This week's Helpful Hint:

On the November 11 US Veterans Day holiday, while the New York and NASDAQ Stock Exchanges were open, the **U.S. bond markets were closed.** Click HERE for the SIFMA holiday schedule. However, our clients were still able to receive bond prices because our data vendor,



Intercontinental Exchange, provides <u>evaluated prices</u> for these issues.

Last week's Helpful Hint was:

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Upcoming Events:

- Wed, Nov 26: Evaluation Services Customer Service / Technical Support will be closing early (2:00 pm ET) for the Thanksgiving Holiday. All online systems will be available.
- Thurs, Nov 27: Office is closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Fri, Nov 28: The NASDAQ & NYSE exchanges are closing at 1:00pm ET.
 Evaluation Services Customer service / Technical Support will be closing at 1:00 pm ET as well. All online systems will be available.

Note: Avoid running the portfolio for pricing between Saturday at 8:00 PM Eastern and Sunday at 8:00 AM Eastern, as the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE), our data provider, is offline during that time.

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