

"Industry News & Helpful Hint" Newsletter

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Trusts & Estates news article of the week:
"The sandwich generation is forcing advisors to rethink the 60/40 portfolio"

Trusts & Estates

Extract: Tim Thornberry, financial planner at Prudential Advisors and founding partner of Cornerstone Financial Partners, says estate planning work used to center on transfer at death. Now, he says, most of the real money moves during life — and unless that support is built in as a known obligation from the start, it quietly erodes the client's own retirement security.

Read the entire article by clicking [HERE](#).

Last week's Trusts & Estates news article:
"Estate Planning for Later-in-Life Marriages"

Last week's Helpful Hint:
"Have you looked at the NEWS section of our website?"

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Helpful hint of the week:
"Correctly valuing mutual funds for estate tax when the valuation date falls on a weekend"

Appraise
Helpful hint 

We've received a few questions lately regarding this situation. People are sometimes surprised that we are only reporting the Friday price instead of the Monday and Friday prices they expect.

Here is the IRS regulation we follow: **[IRS Reg. 20.2031-8(3)(b)]**
"For open-ended investment companies (commonly known as mutual funds), the fair market price is the public redemption price on the valuation date. Should no price be available for that date, the price used will be the price for the first day preceding the valuation date."

You can see all of the IRS regulations we utilize by clicking [HERE](#).

For any questions, please email us @clientinfo@appraisenj.net

Notes:

Mon, Aug 3: We will be doing system maintenance from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. EDT and there may be service interruptions.

Avoid sending portfolios for pricing between Saturday at 8:00 PM and Sunday at 8:00 AM Eastern Time. Intercontinental Exchange (ICE), our data provider, is offline during that time for maintenance.

Coming Soon:
"WebAppraise v2.1 coming Aug 3"

COMING SOON!

If you are looking for a web application for your estate, gift, and trust tax valuations, [WebAppraise](#) is worth a look. Although the product has been available for some time, **we will release an updated version, 2.1, on August 3 2026**. This iteration will enhance some existing features and include a few additional ones. Some of these include:

1. The ability to save portfolios in our proprietary data center or on your premises.
2. The ability to add sales and other transactions to alternate date of death valuations.

3. The ability to import assets to be valued from a CSV (comma-delimited) or Excel file.
4. The ability to export the valuation results to a CSV (comma-delimited), Excel, or PDF file.
5. The ability to process bigger portfolios.
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