

"Industry News & Helpful Hint" Newsletter

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Trusts & Estates news
article of the week:
**"The Buss Children Are
Squabbling Over Their
Remaining Lakers Stake"**

Trusts & Estates

Extract: When Lakers majority owner Jerry Buss died in 2013, he left his 66 percent stake to six of his children, with daughter Jeanie Buss acting as the team's governor. Jerry hoped his family would hold on to the franchise, and toward the end of his life, he took financial and contractual measures that made it easier for them to do so. Naturally, after his death these six Buss children got caught up in over a decade of infighting that saw them split into three rough camps.

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

**Last week's
Trusts & Estates
news article:**

"Nike's Founder Has Moved \$9 Billion to His Heirs and the Gift-Tax Bill Was Roughly \$0. The Trust He Used Has a Name and It's Legal in All 50 States"

**Last week's
Helpful Hint:**

"ESI-Appraise GRAT valuations"

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Helpful hint of the week:
"Accrued Dividends For Mutual Funds"

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We recently asked why we did not include dividends for some mutual funds for which we generated date-of-death valuations when dividends were appearing on the mutual fund website.

The answer was: "The data in your report is in line with the applicable [IRS Regulations](#) based on the ex-dividend, record, and pay dates for each asset."

If you have questions, please email us: clientinfo@appraisenj.net

Notes:

Fri, Sep 4:

Our office will be closing at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time for the Labor Day holiday weekend. We will Tue, Sep 8 9:00 a.m.

Online services are always available except during scheduled maintenance (see below).

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- Automatic updates and a consistent experience across all offices
- Full alignment with internal risk management and security standards

We'd welcome the opportunity to learn how your team currently manages estate valuation workflows and to share how other institutions use WebAppraise to improve efficiency while maintaining strict controls.

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