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Spousal Access Trust

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Age	Pre-retirement.		
Marital Status	Married.		
Level of Income & Retirement Assets	Has (or will have) estate tax exposure, usually with an estate of above \$4,000,000 for married couples.		
Big Concern	Does not want the federal government to be his or her primary heir.		

PROBLEM

- Desire to retain access to a life insurance policy's cash value.
- Potential estate tax problem.

SOLUTION

Spousal Access Trust. Establish a Spousal Access Trust, also known as a Spousal Support irrevocable life insurance trust (ILIT), to create the liquidity necessary to address the client's estate tax exposure as well as provide access to potential policy cash values.1

REACHING THE SOLUTION USING A SPOUSAL ACCESS TRUST

Lifetime Distributions. The trustee may make distributions to the non-insured spouse and children for health, education, maintenance, and support over their lifetime.

Spousal Access to Cash Value. The non-insured spouse is able to receive distributions from the trust, thus the family does not give up access to the tax-favored cash value. The non-insured spouse can be a trustee and a beneficiary of the trust.

Supplement Retirement Income. The potential tax-deferred cash accumulation may be used as a supplement to retirement income.

Tax-Free Death Benefits. If the trust is properly drafted and administered, the trust proceeds will pass to the heirs free from income and estate taxes.

If you have a client that fits this profile, contact your John Hancock Representative or the Advanced Markets Group at (888) 266-7498, option 3 to find out more about JH Solution's Spousal Access Trust system today!

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¹ Trusts should be drafted by an attorney familiar with such matters in order to take into account income and estate tax laws (including the generation-skipping tax). Failure to do so could result in adverse tax treatment of trust proceeds.