# **Typical Family Trust**

Dated October 6, 2005 (Trust Status after the First Spouse Dies)

Decedent's SP + ½ CP

Survivor's SP + ½ CP

#### **Unified Credit Trust**

### 2005 Unified Credit Trust— Decedent's Trust Federal ID# 99-999999

- ♦ Survivor, Trustee
- ♦ Children=Suc. Trustee (Jt)
- ♦ Ordinary Income to Survivor for Life
- Remainder to Children at Survivor's Death
- ◆ Power to Invade Limited—only available after exhaustion of personal and Marital Deduction Trust assets
- No Estate Tax at Survivor's Death
- ◆ Carry Over Basis to Heirs
- ◆ Annual Trust Tax Return Required (Form 1041/541)

#### Trust Assets/Liabilities

➤ [Assets with FMV of \$1,500,000 at first to die's date of death (preferably assets that will appreciate)]

## **Marital Deduction Trust**

### 2005 Marital Deduction Trust Federal ID# 88-888888

- ♦ Survivor, Trustee
- ♦ Children=Suc. Trustee (Jt)
- Ordinary Income to Survivor for Life
- Power to Invade for support, health maintenance, or living standard (broad power)
- Remainder to Children by Right of Representation
- ◆ Taxable in Survivor's Estate at his/her Death
- ◆ Annual Trust Tax Return Required (Form 1041/541)

#### **Trust Assets/Liabilities**

➤ [Remaining community property + SP assets of first spouse to die]

### Survivor's Trust

### 2005 Survivor's Trust Federal ID# (none)

- Survivor, Trustee
- ◆ Children=Suc. Trustee (Jt)
- ♦ Trust is Revocable by Survivor
- ◆ Income and Principle Belong to Survivor for Life
- Remainder as Survivor Appoints by Will, or to Children by Right of Representation
- ◆ Assets from Trust Income is Reported on Survivor's Individual Income Tax Return (Form 1040/540)

#### **Trust Assets/Liabilities**

➤ [One half of surviving spouse's assets]

### Important Note Death of First Spouse to Die

Contact your attorney and accountant <u>as soon as possible</u> so that assets can be valued and placed in the appropriate trusts!

#### Note to Readers

This hypothetical example provides a general review of common trust provisions and assets to be held in each trust, and should not be relied upon as legal or tax advice.