#### ON THE STEPS OF ETERNITY

ORCHESTRATING GIFT AGREEMENTS WITH VALUING REVOCABLE AND IRREVOCABLE GIFTS

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## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

- What's the difference?
- For the purpose of this presentation, gift agreements and statements of intent will be used interchangeably
- Court Case from Arizona December, 1996

## Private Letter Ruling 9714010 and Statements of Intent

- Creation Of Remainder Trust To Satisfy Irrevocable Pledge Is Self-Dealing; Earlier Ruling Revoked:
- The Service has ruled that contributions to a charitable trust, in partial satisfaction of an individual's and trust's irrevocable pledge to an educational institution, is self-dealing under reg. section 53.4941(d)-2(f)(1).

#### A Volcano of Questions Erupted

- How Can We Count Planned Gifts?
- How Can We Recognize Planned Gifts?
- What About FASB...GAAP etc?
- What Should We Do With Existing Gift Agreements for Planned Gifts?



#### **Statement of Intent**

- Endowed Fund Estate Gift Statement of Intent
- Taking into account my interest in Oregon State University as a faculty member at Oregon State University, I hereby express my intent to contribute to the Oregon State University Foundation 5% of the total value of my estate, which will result in a gift valued at approximately \$200,000. A copy of the relevant portion of my estate planning documents is attached to this statement of intent.
- Although I intend to make the gift described above, this document shall be construed only as a statement of my intent and should not be construed as my legal obligation, my heirs' or my estate's legal obligation.

## Charitable Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent



## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

- Gift agreements are the cornerstone of full disclosure between the donor and the donee.
- For current, outright gifts the gift agreement can simply delineate the donor's and donee's understanding of the use of the gift.

## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

- Four critical components are common to gift agreements for planned gifts
- An introductory statement that establishes the background of the gift and the donor's connection with the institution (a helpful reference, should a sizeable gift prove to be a total surprise to family members);
- A brief description of the program the gift is supporting, including any selection criteria and a statement confirming that the program is in keeping with the University's mission and tax-exempt status;

## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

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- 3. Funding information that allows for additional gifts, states that the fund will not be established until the gifts reach the amount then required for that type of fund, and says what happens if the gift falls short of the future funding level:
- I understand and agree that all gifts and contributions received for credit to the Fund shall be held until the Fund reaches the amount then required to established a named, endowed fund. I understand and agree that all gifts and contributions received for credit to the Fund, shall be held until the Fund reaches the amount then required to established a named, endowed fund. Beginning then, an annual allocation will be made for the purposes described above in accordance with then current spending policy.

I understand and agree that the investments of this Fund shall be governed by the investment policies...

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#### 4. Cy pres

Unlike many Latin-based legal phrases, cy pres is derived from the French "cy pres comme possible" which in translation means "as close as possible."

"The doctrine of cy pres exists 'to permit the main purpose of the donor of a charitable trust to be carried out as nearly as possible where it cannot be done to the letter." It allows courts to implement a donor's general charitable intention when changes in circumstances do not allow the charitable bequest to be used according to the specific instructions of the donor's will.

In order to utilize cy pres a court must find that "it is or becomes impossible or impracticable or illegal to carry out the particular purpose, and...the settlor manifested a more general intention to devote the property to charitable purpose..."

Cy pres was traditionally limited to charitable trusts, but it is now being applied "to absolute gifts to charitable corporations or other organizations."

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- 4. Cy pres language that enables the University to use the gift for a related purpose if it becomes impossible or impractical to use the gift for the intended purpose.

I understand and agree that, should it ever become impossible or impractical to use the gift for the purpose specified in this agreement, the Board of Charity, in their discretion, may distribute or use the net income or may devote the entire income and principal of the Fund to the support of any other uses most similar to my original interest and intent.

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## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

- > How do development officers employ gift agreements?
- How much is your bequest and may I have a copy of your records...?
- Full service approach to donors.
- What do you want your gift to accomplish?

#### **Bequest Conversations 101**



- How NOT to Approach Bequest Conversations
- So we are in your will...how much?

#### **WORDS MATTER**



- **②** Count your Estate Gift
- Document your Estate Gift
- Record your Estate Gift
- **Book your Estate Gift**

## **WORDS MATTER № Recognize Your Estate Gift** Recognize the FULL **Extent of your Philanthropy** Celebrate your Estate Gift Aw Shucks... Focus on Gift Designation and Impact Understanding your role: Helping the donor explore meaningful gift opportunities Keeping the donor talking • Keeping the conversation moving forward Reflecting the donor's thoughts Building a clear picture of impact Outlining action steps Facilitating closure Counting, Accounting, and Valuation Counting: Donor Focused Accounting: Financial, Internal **Focused**

Valuation: Gift FocusedRecognition: Donor Focused

## TIME FOR A FEW QUESTIONS

#### **Gift Counting Policies**

- Majority of major universities "count" "bequest intentions."
- Most institutions with a gift planning program realize 20% to 40% from planned gifts.
- 80% to 90% of planned gifts are simple bequest intentions.
- Majority of major universities "count" CRTs and CGAs at face value.

#### It's Not About the Numbers...



# It's About Philanthropy The Best of the Control of

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## Gift Agreements and Statements of Intent

- Gifts that are being put in place now, but funded later, present special challenges.
- Many institutions have their favorite horror stories about gifts from trusts or bequests that are not sufficient to fund whatever the donor had intended to fund—and have even resulted in legal action.
- It is truly in the donor's best interest for the donor and their advisor to have a conversation with the charity and to reach an understanding about the gift and required minimums—and about what the donor wants the charity to do if the gift is not enough to fund the anticipated program when the time comes.

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scholarship lund. I agree that in the rund obes not reach the their required amount lost a named, endowed scholarship fund within two years of the date of its initial funding that the Fund may remain in whole or in part as an endowed fund or the Fund may be distributed of be expended in part or full consistent, to the greatest degree possible, with my wishes as described above.	

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- 3. What happens if the gift falls short of the future funding level:

Recommend: Cascading Language in the event the fund does not meet the then current amount the donor can delineate an alternative use, perhaps for an endowed fund with a smaller required minimum amount.

If not enough for THIS then THAT...

#### Does the Donor's Gift Meet Endowment or Current or Future Funding Requirements?



#### Valuing Planned Gifts and Commitments

- FASB provides rules for the accounting of planned gifts.
- CASE and NACGP provide standards for counting gifts.
- U.S. Treasury Regulations dictate the methodology for determining the charitable deduction for tax purposes.

## Valuing Planned Gifts and Commitments

- Accounting, counting and deduction measurements do not truly reflect the value a planned gift provides to a charitable organization when the gift is finally used to accomplish its charitable mission.
- Valuation Standards for Charitable Planned Gifts
   National Association of Charitable Gift Planners;
   Updated 6/11

#### **IRS Methodology: Overview**

The IRS valuation methodology for planned gifts is a two-step process.

- 1. Determine the present value of the income interest.
- 2. Subtract the present value of the income interest from the value of the gift transfer.

#### **IRS Methodology**

Why Not Just Use the Charitable Deduction?

It does not measure the full value of the gift to the charitable organization.

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#### Gift Valuation Methodology: Overview

The valuation methodology for planned gifts is a two-step process.

- 1. Determine the nominal value of the gift at its projected termination.
- 2. Discount the total nominal future value back to the present value.

#### **Gift Valuation Methodology**

- 1. The first computation is to estimate the nominal future value of the gift.
- 2. The second computation is to discount that future value to today's dollars.

## Five Variables affect the future value of a gift

- 1. Amount contributed
- 2. Investment returns
- 3. Costs
- 4. Payments
- 5. Expected term of the gift

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Investment returns	
Once you have identified the expected return for each equity and fixed income asset class,	
weight the expected returns by the weight of each asset class in the portfolio to calculate	
the overall expected return.	

## **Investment returns: example:** Assume a portfolio of 60% stock, 40% bond mix Assume that the average return of your equities is 9.75% and the return of your bond class assets are 3.4%. **Investment returns: example:** $(.6 \times .0975) + (.4 \times .034) = Investment$ Return .0585 + .0136 = .0721 or 7.21%Five Variables affect the future value of a gift 3. Costs (trustee, investment management, administrative, etc.) 4. Payments (CRT or CGA payout rate, IRA withdrawal rate, etc) **5.** Expected term of the gift (Mortality Tables)

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY	May 8, 2018	
OSU FOUNDATION		
oregon state university foundation Summary of Benefits		
Summary or Benerits (Prexent		
	value)	
ASSUMPTIONS: Projection begins in 2018 and runs for 14 years. Measuring life age 72.		
Original principal is \$100,000. Donor income tax bracket is 40.8%, 37% for tax savings, a Beneficiary income tax bracket is 40.8%, 23.8% for capital		
	Charitable	
	5%	
Gross Principal	\$1,00,000	
Average Annual Payment Charitable Deduction	\$6,102 \$55.616	
Income Tax Savings	\$20,578	
Income	2%	
Capital Appreciation	6%	
Sell Asset in First Year	Yes	
PRESENT VALUE AT 3.2%:		
Total Before-Tax Benefit To Payment Recipient	\$66.982	
Benefit to OSHE	\$97.321	
Total Benefit	\$164,302	
Life Income Projections	FG D	iscount Rate is 3.29
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5% Charita	ble Unitrust					
YR	Year-End Principal	Capital Apprec. (6%)	Income (2%)	Before-Tax Payments	Tax-Free Portion	After-Tax Payments
2018	\$100,000					
Sale						
2019	103,000	\$6,000	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$2,830	\$4,144
2020	106,090	6,180	2,060	5,150	2,750	4,229
2021	109,273	6,365	2,122	5,304 5,464	2,672	4,317 4,410
2022	112,551	6,556	2,165	5,464	2,597	4,410
2023	119,405	6,753	2,251	5,628	2,523	4,506
2025	122.987	7.164	2,388	5,970	2,382	4.710
2026	126 677	7 379	2.460	6.149	2 3 1 5	4 8 19
2027	130.477	7.601	2.534	6.334	2.249	4.931
2028	134,392	7,829	2,610	6,524	2,186	5,048
2029	138,423	8,063	2,688	6,720	2,124	5,169
2030	142,576	8,305	2,768	6,921	2,064	5,294
2031	146,853 151,259	8,555	2,852	7,129 7,343	2,005 1,949	5,425 5,560
тот	\$151,259	\$102,518	\$34,173	\$85,432	\$33,098	\$67,167
PV (3.2%)	\$97,321			\$66,982	\$26,731	\$52,847
Life Income Pro						count Pate is 3 335

### CASE 1

- **●**Mrs. Anspach: age 50
- **●\$100,000** gift
- **●5% CRUT**
- **950%** present value?

# CASE 1 **Projected Future Value:** \$265,234 **NACGP Present Value:** \$93,799 CASE 2 Mr. White, age 82, informs you that: He has put a provision in his will for a specific \$500,000 bequest for a named endowed fund... Life Expectancy: 8 years CASE 2 \$500,000... with no growth... PRESENT VALUE AT 3.4%=\$388,627



Q&A

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Additional	<b>Ouestions</b>
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