

# ***IRA Express, Inc.***

Self-Directed Retirement Plan Administration



## ***Roth IRA***

### ***New Account Forms***

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## Roth IRA Account Opening Instructions

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### Welcome to IRA Express!

#### Account Opening Instructions

<b>Step 1</b> Complete the IRA Express Account Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete and print the new account application. After you review it for accuracy, sign, date, and deliver the application to IRA Express.
<b>Step 2</b> Complete the Fee Schedule	<input type="checkbox"/> Choose the annual fee option that best fits your situation. Choose to have your fees based on either the number of assets owned in your account, or on the value of your assets. <input type="checkbox"/> Look at other fees that may apply to your account and contact IRA Express if you have any questions. <input type="checkbox"/> Sign and return the Fee Schedule with your account application.
<b>Step 3</b> Fund Your Account	<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer Form: Complete this form to transfer funds from an IRA you have with another custodian. If you would like to transfer funds from more than one IRA, fill out a separate form for each account. Each transfer form must be accompanied with a copy of your current custodian's IRA statement. <input type="checkbox"/> Contact your current Trustee/Custodian to inquire if a Medallion Signature Guarantee is required. If required, one should be obtained from an authorized member of the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program (STAMP). Check with your local bank or broker/dealer to see if they offer this service. Note: a Notary Public is not acceptable. <input type="checkbox"/> If you are transferring a Brokerage IRA and wish to transfer as cash, you will need to liquidate the appropriate assets prior to completing and submitting the Account Transfer Form. <input type="checkbox"/> Rollover/Direct Rollover Certification Form: Complete this form if you take a distribution from your previous IRA custodian or if you are directly rolling assets over to your IRA from an employer plan. To avoid taxes or penalties, make sure the rollover is done within 60 days from the time you take a distribution. <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Coupon: Complete this form to fund your account with an annual contribution.
<b>Step 4</b> Provide a copy of your Photo ID	<input type="checkbox"/> Make sure the copy of your non-expired ID is clear and legible. If your signature is on the back of the ID, include a copy of the front and back. <input type="checkbox"/> Compare the signature on your valid ID to the signature on your application to ensure that it matches. <input type="checkbox"/> If the address on your ID is not current, attach a copy of a current utility bill.
<b>Step 5</b> Roth IRA Account Agreement & Disclosure	<input type="checkbox"/> The Roth IRA Account Agreement and Disclosure (Form 5305-RA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identifies you as the Account Holder</li><li>• Establishes IRA Express, Inc. as the account Administrator and documents the Administrator's role and responsibilities</li><li>• Identifies the Custodian (a financial institution designated by IRA Express)</li><li>• Defines the terms and conditions of a Roth IRA account as well as acceptable and prohibited transactions, your rights, and the process of making contributions and distributions.</li></ul> Please read and retain this document as it contains important information pertaining to your account. You <b>must</b> receive and read this disclosure in order to open an account.



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### Step 6 Optional Documents

The documents below are optional and are not required; however, they may be useful when managing your account. To obtain copies of these forms, please contact IRA Express, or visit [www.iraxp.com](http://www.iraxp.com).

- ☐ Interested Party Designation Form: Complete this form to allow a designated individual to obtain your account information.
- ☐ Limited Power of Attorney: Complete this form to allow a designated individual to conduct transactions within your account, with the exception of closing the account or directing distributions and transfers.
- ☐ Deposit Coupon: Use this form if making a contribution to your account or to provide documentation for other deposits received by your IRA.
- ☐ Wire Instructions Form: Complete this form for outgoing wires.

Send the original account application paperwork, a copy of your photo identification, and a check for the account set-up fee to:

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- When your account is established you will receive a welcome letter in the mail containing your account number.
- Account Transfers usually require 2 to 4 weeks to complete. Please contact your current custodian to expedite an account transfer.
- To initiate a Direct Rollover from an employer sponsored plan you will need to contact your plan administrator.

*Please contact IRA Express at 888-328-8008 if you have any questions or need assistance with the account opening process.*

***Thank you for considering IRA Express for your self-directed retirement needs. We look forward to serving you!***



## Account Application

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### Part 1 Account Owner Information

<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	LEGAL NAME (Last, First, Middle)										Account Number <small>INTERNAL USE ONLY</small>	
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER												
DATE OF BIRTH				OCCUPATION						TITLE		
LEGAL ADDRESS (Cannot be a PO Box)										PHONE		
CITY		COUNTY			STATE			ZIP		CELL		
MAILING ADDRESS <input type="checkbox"/> SAME AS ABOVE										FAX		
CITY		COUNTY			STATE			ZIP		EMAIL		

#### Check the Appropriate Box to Indicate Your Marital Status

<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> MARRIED	<input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWED OR DIVORCED
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### Part 2 Referral Source

#### How did you hear about us?

<input type="checkbox"/> INTERNET SEARCH	<input type="checkbox"/> IRA EXPRESS EMAIL	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC MARKETING EVENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL MEDIA	<input type="checkbox"/> PRESS RELEASE	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CLIENT REFERRAL (ENTER NAME)					
<input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS ASSOCIATE REFERRAL (ENTER NAME)				<input type="checkbox"/> PROMOTIONAL CODE: _____	

### Part 3 New Account Information

#### Choose the type of account you would like to open

<input type="checkbox"/> TRADITIONAL IRA  <input type="checkbox"/> ROTH IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> SEP IRA  <small>Please attach the last page of the IRA Express SEP IRA Agreement and Disclosure</small>  Employer Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> SIMPLE IRA  <small>Please attach the last page of the IRA Express SIMPLE IRA Agreement and Disclosure</small>  Employer Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> BENEFICIARY IRA  <small>Account will be titled: Your Name, b/o Deceased Name</small>  Original IRA Holder's Name: _____
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### Part 4 Account Notifications & Options

Would you like to have online access to your account statements? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Account statements will be mailed annually) <input type="checkbox"/> No	Would you like to receive email notifications regarding changes to your account? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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### Part 5 Funding Information

#### How will you be funding your account?

<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Contribution \$ _____ Year: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> IRA Transfer  <small>Transfer from an existing IRA or Employer Sponsored Plan.</small> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Rollover  <small>Take receipt of the assets for up to 60 days before reinvesting in a new retirement plan.</small> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Rollover  <small>Rollover from an Employer Sponsored Plan</small> \$ _____
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### Part 6 Beneficiary Information *(If needed, please use a Beneficiary Designation Form to add more beneficiaries.)*

I designate the following person(s) named below as my Primary and/or Contingent Beneficiaries of my plan. If the Primary or Contingent box is not checked for a beneficiary, the beneficiary will be deemed to be a Primary Beneficiary. In the event of my death, the balance in the account shall be paid to the Primary Beneficiaries who survive me in equal shares (or in the specified shares, as indicated). If none of the Primary Beneficiaries survive me, the balance in the account shall be paid to the Contingent Beneficiaries who survive me in equal shares (or in the specified shares, as indicated). If any Primary or Contingent Beneficiary does not survive me, such beneficiary's interest and the interest of such beneficiary's heirs shall terminate completely, and the share for any remaining Primary or Contingent Beneficiary shall be increased on a pro rata basis. If no Primary or Contingent Beneficiary survives me, the remaining balance in the account shall be distributed in accordance with the plan provisions to my estate.

If I named a Beneficiary which is a Trust, I understand that I must supply a copy or abstract of the Trust.

1. <input type="checkbox"/> PRIMARY <input type="checkbox"/> CONTINGENT		
NAME		SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	RELATIONSHIP
DATE OF BIRTH	SHARE %	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> PRIMARY <input type="checkbox"/> CONTINGENT		
NAME		SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	RELATIONSHIP
DATE OF BIRTH	SHARE %	
3. <input type="checkbox"/> PRIMARY <input type="checkbox"/> CONTINGENT		
NAME		SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	RELATIONSHIP
DATE OF BIRTH	SHARE %	

### PART 7 SPOUSAL CONSENT *(Only required if your spouse is not named the primary beneficiary)*

The consent of spouse must be signed only if all of the following conditions are present:

- A. Your spouse is not the sole primary beneficiary named and;
- B. You and your spouse are residents of a community property state (such as AZ, CA, ID, NV, MN, TX, WA, or WI)

I am the spouse of the account holder listed above. I hereby certify that I have reviewed the Designation of Beneficiary Form and I understand that I have a legal interest in the account. I hereby acknowledge and consent to the above Designation of Beneficiary other than, or in addition to, myself as primary beneficiary. I further acknowledge that I am waiving part or all of my rights to receive benefits under this plan when my spouse dies.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby consent to the above Beneficiary designation.

Spouse Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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### PART 8 Appointment of Custodian, Investment Direction, and Important Disclosures

**Your signature is required. Please read before signing.**

The account holder shown on the front of this application must read this agreement carefully and sign and date this part. By signing this application, you acknowledge the following:

**Appointment.** I appoint the institution as shown on the account agreement, provided separately, as the Custodian of my Account ("Custodian"), and understand that the Custodial Account Agreement and my Application comprise my agreement with the Administrator and Custodian as defined in the account agreement. The Administrator may change custodians to any institution permitted by law or by the undersigned. Written direction shall be construed so as to include facsimile signature. The account is established for the exclusive benefit of the Account holder or his/her beneficiaries.

**Adequate Information.** I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Plan Agreement, Disclosure Statement and appropriate Financial/Fee Disclosures. I understand that the terms and conditions, which apply to this Account, and are contained in these documents. I agree to be bound by those terms and conditions. If this is an IRA, I understand that within seven (7) days from the date that I submit this paperwork to the Administrator, I may revoke it without penalty by mailing or delivering a written notice to the Administrator.

**Responsibility for Tax Consequences.** I assume all responsibility for any tax consequences and penalties that may result from making contributions to, transactions with, and distributions from my Account. I am authorized and of legal age to establish this Account and make investment purchases permitted under the Plan Agreement offered by the Custodian. I assume complete responsibility for: 1) Determining that I am eligible for an Account transaction that I direct the custodian to make on my behalf; 2) Insuring that all contributions I make are within the limits set forth by the tax laws; 3) The tax consequences of any contribution (including rollover contributions and distributions).

I certify under penalties of perjury:

1) that I have provided you with my correct Social Security or Tax I.D. Number; and 2) that I am not subject to backup withholding because: a) I am exempt from backup withholding; or b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends; or c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding. You must cross out item 2 if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because of under reporting interest or dividends on your tax return.

Except as described above, we will not release information about you to others unless you or a representative whom you have authorized in writing have consented or asked us to do so, or we are required by law or other regulatory authority.

The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certification required to avoid backup withholding.

Until such time as I change or revoke the designation, I hereby instruct the Custodian to follow the investment directions which I provide to Administrator in investing and reinvesting the principal and interest, as confirmed by direction letters to Administrator from the undersigned, for the above-referenced Account or other Custodial account for which Administrator serves as record keeper. You are authorized to accept written direction and/or verbal direction which is subsequently confirmed in writing by the authorized party, Administrator, or by the undersigned. Written direction shall be construed so as to include facsimile signature.

The account is established for the exclusive benefit of the Account holder or his/her beneficiaries. In taking action based on this authorization Custodian and Administrator may act solely on the written instruction, designation or representation of the Account holder. I expressly certify that I take complete responsibility for the type of investment instrument(s) with which I choose to fund my Account. I agree to release, indemnify, defend and hold the Administrator and/or Custodian harmless from any claims, including, but not limited to, actions, liabilities, losses, penalties, fines and/or third party claims, arising out of my account and/or in connection with any action taken in reliance upon my written instructions,

designations and representations, or in the exercise of any right, power or duty of Custodian and/or Administrator, its agents or assigns. Custodian and/or Administrator may deduct from the account any amounts to which they are entitled to the reimbursement under the foregoing hold harmless provision. Custodian and/or Administrator have no responsibility or fiduciary role whatever related to or in connection with the account in taking any action related to any purchase, sale or exchange instructed by the undersigned or the undersigned's agents, including but not limited to suitability, compliance with any state or federal law or regulation, income or expense, or preservation of capital or income.

In the event of claims by others related to my account and/or investment wherein Administrator and/or Custodian is named as a party, Administrator and/or Custodian shall have the full and unequivocal right at their sole discretion to select their own attorneys to represent them in such litigation and deduct from my account any amounts to pay for any costs and expenses, including, but not limited to, all attorneys' fees, and costs and internal costs (collectively "Litigation Costs"), incurred by Administrator and/or Custodian in the defense of such claims and/or litigation. If there are insufficient funds in my account to cover the Litigation Costs incurred by Administrator and/or Custodian, on demand by Administrator and/or Custodian, I will promptly reimburse Administrator and/or Custodian the outstanding balance of the Litigation Costs. If I fail to promptly reimburse the Litigation Costs, Administrator and/or Custodian shall have the full and unequivocal right to freeze my assets, liquidate my assets, and/or initiate legal action in order to obtain full reimbursement of the Litigation Costs. I also understand and agree that the Administrator and/or Custodian will not be responsible to take any action should there be any default with regard to this investment. I understand that no one at the Administrator and/or Custodian has authority to agree to anything different than my foregoing understandings of the Administrator's and/or Custodian's policy. For purposes of this disclosure, the terms Administrator and Custodian include IRA Express, Inc., its agents, assigns, joint ventures, affiliates and/or business associates.

In executing transfers, it is understood and agreed that I will not hold Custodian and/or Administrator liable or responsible for anything done or omitted in the administration, custody or investments of the account prior to the date they shall complete their respective acceptance as successor Custodian and Administrator and shall be in possession of all of the assets, nor shall they have any duty or responsibility to inquire into or take any action with respect to any acts performed by the prior Custodian or Administrator.

If any provision of this Application is found to be illegal, invalid, void or unenforceable, such provision shall be severed and such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**Not Responsible for Market Condition Variances:** I understand that I have agreed and instructed the Custodian to follow the investment directions which I provide to Administrator in investing the principal, as confirmed by written direction letters or instructions to Administrator from the undersigned for the above-referenced Account or other Custodial account for which Administrator serves as record keeper. I further understand that some transactions that I may direct or instruct Administrator to complete, especially commodities such as precious metals, that may be dependent upon the operation of global markets and entities, there could be fluctuations in price and condition of said investments from the time that I issue a direction letter to Administrator and the time when the transaction can actually be completed and recorded in my Account. I hereby agree to release, indemnify, defend and hold Administrator and Custodian harmless from any claims regarding the fluctuation in prices and/or conditions of any transaction I direct or instruct Administrator to make on my behalf. I further agree to waive any claims that I may have, past, present or future, known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, with respect to the fluctuation or change in the price or condition of any investment that I direct or instruct Administrator to make from the time I deliver my direction or instruction letter to Administrator until the time the transaction is actually completed and recorded to my Account.



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I understand that this hold harmless and release shall apply equally to the Administrator and Custodian.

**Important Information for Opening a New Account.** To comply with the USA PATRIOT ACT, we have adopted a Customer Identification Program. All new accounts must provide a copy of an unexpired, photo-bearing, government- issued identification (e.g., driver license or passport). The copy must be readable so we can verify the client's name, driver's license number, etc.

**Our Privacy Policy.** You have chosen to do business with the Custodian and Administrator named on this application. As our client, the privacy of your personal non-public information is very important. We value our customer relationships and we want you to understand the protections we provide in regard to your accounts with us.

**Information We May Collect.** We collect non-public personal information about you from the following sources to conduct business with you:

- Information we receive from you on applications or other forms;
- Information about your transactions with us, or others;

Non-public personal information is non-public information about you that we may obtain in connection with providing financial products or services to you. This could include information you give us from account applications, account balances, and account history.

**Information We May Share.** We do not sell or disclose any non-public information about you to anyone, except as permitted by law or as specifically authorized by you. We do not share non-public personal information with our affiliates or other providers without prior approval by you. Federal law allows us to share information with providers that process and service your accounts. All providers of services in connection with the custodian and administrator have agreed to the custodian and administrator's confidentiality and security policies. If you decide to close your account(s) or become an inactive customer, we will adhere to the privacy policies and practices as described in this notice.

**Confidentiality and Security.** We restrict access to non-public personal information to those employees who need to know that information to provide products and services to you. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural guidelines that comply with federal standards to guard your non-public personal information. The Administrator reserves the right to revise this notice and will notify you of any changes in advance.

If you have any questions regarding this policy or the other information and disclosures listed previously, please contact us at the address and or telephone number listed on this application

### PART 9 Account Owner Signature and Acknowledgement

I acknowledge receipt of a Fee Disclosure and receipt of the Account Agreement and Disclosure Statement and agree to abide by their terms as currently in effect or as they may be amended from time to time. I understand that failure to submit a signed Fee Disclosure will result in fees "based on value of assets" (See "Fee Disclosures.").

The Custodian has delegated certain Custodial Account recordkeeping and administrative functions to IRA Express, Inc., a Utah Corporation, as the Administrator of your self-directed retirement account.

I understand that I may change or add beneficiaries at any time by completing and delivering the Beneficiary Form to the Administrator.

I declare that I have examined this document, including accompanying information, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. I acknowledge I have read the fee disclosure, the account agreement and account disclosure statement and agree to abide by their terms as currently in effect or as they may be amended from time to time. If you would like to give permission to another individual to access your account information (such as your spouse or other individual), you will need to complete the Limited Power of Attorney form or Interested Party Designation form. PLEASE PRINT, SIGN AND SUBMIT THIS FORM TO IRA EXPRESS.

SIGNATURE	DATE
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## General Fee Schedule

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### Part 1 Account Owner Information

NAME (as it appears on your account application)	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TYPE			
		<input type="checkbox"/> TRADITIONAL IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> ROTH IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> SEP IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> SIMPLE IRA
EMAIL ADDRESS		DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER			

### Part 2 Choose Your Annual Fee Option\*

☐ **OPTION 1: Based on Number of Assets: \$295 Per Asset**

\$295 per asset and/or liability, per year, paid at the time of acquisition. For example, 1 investment is \$295 per year, 3 investments are \$885 per year.

☐ **OPTION 2: Based on Total Account Value\*\* (Minimum of \$195 per year, Maximum of \$1,975 per year)**

If the account value is between:	Multiply value by:	Incremental fee increase per tier:
\$0 and \$20,000	0.00975	\$195
\$20,001 and \$80,000	0.0065	\$390
\$80,001 and \$180,000	0.0045	\$450
\$180,001 and \$300,000	0.0035	\$420
\$300,001 and \$500,000	0.0020	\$400
\$500,001 and up	0.0015	Variable

\*Annual Record Keeping fees are paid in full at the time of account establishment or asset acquisition and then divided into four quarterly payments each following year due January 1<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, and October 1<sup>st</sup>  
\*\*Fees under Option 2: Based on Total Account Value are charged on an incremental basis. For example, if your account value is \$350,000 your annual fee will be \$1,555 (\$195 + \$390 + \$450 + \$420 + (\$50,000\*0.0020).

### Part 3 Other Administrative & Transaction Fees

Account Establishment Fee (one-time fee, per account)	\$50
Purchase, sale, exchange, or additional funding per non real estate asset	\$95
Purchase, sale, or exchange of Real Estate asset	\$125
Cashiers or other official bank check	\$30
Returned items of any kind and stop payments, per item	\$30
Checks issued from your account or bills paid from your account, per item	\$5
Roth Conversion of Account or Recharacterization	\$50
Overnight mail delivery	\$30
Wire transfers, incoming and outgoing	\$25
Rush Fees for expedited transaction processing or services within the same or next day	\$150 per request
Special Services, such as research of closed assets or accounts, legal research, or special handling of transactions	\$150 per hour
Re-registration of assets	\$100, plus actual expense of transfer agents when applicable

Partial or Full Termination, including transfers of assets from your account to anyone, is 0.50% of the asset value of the amount transferred, plus sale transaction charges for each asset. This includes lump sum distributions, but does not include required minimum distributions. Minimum fee for this service is \$150 and maximum fee for this service is \$350. Annual Administration and Record Keeping Fees are not prorated when an account closes.





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### Part 4 Payment of Fees

#### How would you like to pay your account fees?

\$50 Account Establishment Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> PAY BY CREDIT CARD	<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK ENCLOSED PAYABLE TO IRA EXPRESS, INC.
Record Keeping and Administrative Fees	<input type="checkbox"/> PAY BY CREDIT CARD	<input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCT FEES FROM MY IRA EXPRESS ACCOUNT

### Part 5 Credit Card Information

#### Please complete this section if you would like to pay your fees by credit card.

CARD TYPE (choose one):				<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	<input type="checkbox"/> MASTER CARD	<input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN EXPRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> DISCOVER
NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR CARD		CARD NUMBER			SECURITY CODE		
EXPIRATION DATE			BILLING ADDRESS				
CITY, STATE, ZIP							
By signing below, you authorize your credit card to be charged for the option(s) chosen above. Your request will be processed upon receipt of this form. You understand that inaccurate or incomplete credit card information or charges declined by the credit card issuer will delay the processing of the account transaction. Future changes to the option made above must be submitted in writing.							
SIGNATURE					DATE		

### Part 6 Signature

If no preference indicated, fees will be debited from your IRA Express Account. Annual Recordkeeping and Administration Fees (using Option One or Option Two, as selected above) are charged for all or any portion of each year during which the account is in existence. If you do not choose a fee option (Option One or Option Two, as selected above) Annual Record Keeping and Administration Fees will be billed according to "Option Two - Based on Total Account Value". If you terminate your account during a year, you will still owe the annual fee for that entire year. These fees are charged on the basis of the year beginning on the date when your account is established, and each anniversary of that date. Annual record keeping fees are not pro-rated when an account closes.

**Custodial Administration Fee:** We receive a fee equal to the income generated from undirected cash held by the custodian in a deposit or product of an FDIC insured institution, if any. The custodian of your account is entitled to this fee under the section titled "Custodian's Fees and Expenses" of your IRA Custodial Account Agreement (reference Section 8.07 if you have a Traditional IRA), and has assigned this fee to IRA Express for services relating to the investment of undirected cash.

**Termination:** If you incur a termination of your account, we will charge a termination fee of 0.50% of your account value to a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$350, plus the applicable transaction fee (non-real estate or real estate, as applicable) for each asset that is sold. A transfer of assets from your Account to a third party, including to another individual retirement account for your benefit, is considered a termination for purposes of the imposition of this fee. A lump sum distribution is considered a termination for purposes of the imposition of this fee. However, a distribution after your attainment of age 70-1/2 or disability or death is not considered a termination, and is not subject to the termination fee.

**Collection of Fees and Charges:** Account fees and charges, as described above, are charged in advance or in connection with the applicable services and events, and are at no time refundable. We generally bill and collect fees and charges quarterly, based on your account establishment date. These fees and charges are normally withdrawn from your undirected cash funds balance, unless they have been actually paid directly by you.

**Late payment fees:** The lesser of 1.5% per month (18% annum) or the maximum allowable under applicable law. If there is insufficient undirected cash in your account, we will liquidate other assets to pay for such fees and charges, after giving you 30 days' notice of our intention to do so. Reregistration of assets plus expense of transfer agents when applicable is \$100. IRA Express, Inc. shall have no liability for any adverse tax or other financial consequences as a result of applying account cash and liquidating other account assets to cover the fees and charges. IRA Express, Inc. reserves the right to sell any past due receivables to a collection and credit reporting agency.

In accordance with your Account Application, this Fee Schedule is part of your Agreement with the Administrator and must accompany your Application.

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE

DATE



## Account Transfer Form

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### Part 1 Account Owner Information

NAME (as it appears on your account application)	IRA EXPRESS ACCOUNT NUMBER	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
EMAIL ADDRESS		DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER

### Part 2 Account Information and Compatibility

You must transfer to a compatible type of an account. Please contact IRA Express if you have questions regarding account compatibility.

Account Type Being Transferred	Transferring to IRA Express Account Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Traditional IRA <input type="checkbox"/> SEP IRA <input type="checkbox"/> Beneficiary IRA <input type="checkbox"/> Roth IRA <input type="checkbox"/> SIMPLE IRA	<input type="checkbox"/> Traditional IRA <input type="checkbox"/> SEP IRA <input type="checkbox"/> Beneficiary IRA <input type="checkbox"/> Roth IRA <input type="checkbox"/> SIMPLE IRA

### Part 3 Current Custodian Information

Please include a copy of your current statement for the account that is being transferred.

CUSTODIAN NAME		ACCOUNT NUMBER
ESTIMATED TRANSFER VALUE	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP
PHONE	FAX	CONTACT PERSON

### Part 4 Transfer Instructions

- If you would like to transfer your full account as cash please contact your current Trustee/Custodian to initiate the liquidation process.
- The term "liquidate all assets and transfer proceeds" will result in all assets being sold and the cash proceeds being forwarded to IRA Express.
- A transfer "in-kind" refers to the re-registration of physical assets from the prior Trustee/Custodian's name to IRA Express.
- If you are only performing a partial transfer to your IRA Express account please list all assets to be liquidated or transferred in-kind in the spaces provided and mark the appropriate box.
- Please include a copy of a recent statement (dated within 6 months) from your current Trustee/Custodian.

Type of Transfer: (check one)

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FULL TRANSFER</b>  <i>Please Liquidate all assets and transfer the proceeds to IRA Express, Inc. as agent for Custodian for the benefit of [Client's Name and IRA Number].</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TRANSFER ALL ASSETS IN-KIND</b>  <i>Please transfer all assets in-kind to IRA Express, Inc. as agent for Custodian for the benefit of [Client's Name and IRA Number].</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>PARTIAL TRANSFER</b>  <i>Please transfer the following assets described below to IRA Express, Inc. as agent for Custodian for the benefit of [Client's Name and IRA Number].</i>
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PARTIAL TRANSFERS ONLY Description of Assets (cash, real estate, LLC, etc.)	QUANTITY (All, # of shares, or Value)	INSTRUCTIONS (Please check on box per asset)
1.		<input type="checkbox"/> CASH ONLY
2.		<input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATE or <input type="checkbox"/> IN-KIND
3.		<input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATE or <input type="checkbox"/> IN-KIND
4.		<input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATE or <input type="checkbox"/> IN-KIND
5.		<input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATE or <input type="checkbox"/> IN-KIND

### Part 5 Delivery Instructions

How would you like your current trustee/custodian to deliver your assets to IRA Express?

<input type="checkbox"/> INCOMING WIRE TRANSFER	<input type="checkbox"/> BY CHECK MAILED TO IRA EXPRESS
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## Account Transfer Form

PO Box 9  
Cedar City, UT 84721  
Phone: 888-328-8008  
Fax: 435-867-1042

### Part 6 Account Owner Signature and Acknowledgement

1. I hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Account Asset Transfer Authorization and acknowledge having established an IRA Express self-directed account.
2. I understand the rules and conditions applicable to an Account Transfer. I understand that it is my responsibility to contact my current financial institution to determine whether a medallion guarantee is required. If a medallion guarantee is required, it is my responsibility to take this Form to my bank or credit union for a medallion guarantee. (Failure to obtain a medallion guarantee could result in delays and/or rejection of this request by your current financial institution)
3. I qualify for the account transfer of assets listed in Part 4 and authorize such transactions.
4. I understand that no one at IRA Express has authority to agree to anything different than my foregoing understandings of IRA Express policy.

#### Medallion Signature Guarantee Stamp

SIGNATURE

DATE

#### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY - Acceptance of Receiving Custodian

Pursuant to a limited written delegation, the Custodian has authorized IRA Express, Inc. to serve as the Administrator for the Custodian and to sign this form on the Custodian's behalf. The Custodian ASSUMES NO INVESTMENT CONTROL OVER CLIENT FUNDS AND ACTS ONLY AS A CUSTODIAN FOR CLIENT FUNDS. The Custodian assumes no investment management or investment fiduciary obligations.

IRA Express, Inc., as agent for Custodian, Mainstar Trust:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE, IRA EXPRESS, INC.: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Mail Delivery Address	Overnight Mail Delivery Address	Incoming Wire Transfer Information
IRA Express, Inc. as Agent for Custodian FBO [Account Holder Name and Account #] PO BOX 9 CEDAR CITY, UTAH 84721	IRA Express, Inc. as Agent for Custodian FBO [Account Holder Name and Account #] 2975 W. EXECUTIVE PKWY, #199-122 LEHI, UTAH 84043	PLEASE REFERENCE THE ENCLOSED WIRING INSTRUCTIONS



## Rollover/Direct Rollover Certification Form

PO Box 9  
Cedar City, UT 84721  
Phone: 888-328-8008  
Fax: 435-867-1042

### Part 1 Account Owner Information

NAME (as it appears in your plan)		IRA EXPRESS ACCOUNT NUMBER
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	PHONE	LEGAL ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP		

### Part 2 Previous Custodian's Information

☐ Please check here if your rollover is from your IRA Express account mentioned above.

CUSTODIAN NAME		PREVIOUS CUSTODIAN'S ACCOUNT NUMBER
CONTACT NAME	PHONE	ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP		

### Part 3 Indicate the type of plan you are rolling over from

☐ Traditional ☐ Roth ☐ SEP ☐ SIMPLE ☐ OTHER (PS, MP, DB, 401(k), 457) \_\_\_\_\_

### Part 4 Verify that you are eligible to perform this transaction (select one)

I am an eligible person to perform this transaction:				
<input type="checkbox"/> PLAN PARTICIPANT	<input type="checkbox"/> SPOUSE BENEFICIARY OF ACCOUNT	<input type="checkbox"/> NON-SPOUSE BENEFICIARY OF ACCOUNT	<input type="checkbox"/> EX-SPOUSE OF ACCOUNT DUE TO DIVORCE OR LEGAL SEPARATION	<input type="checkbox"/> RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL

### Part 5 Type of asset(s) to be rolled over

To rollover CASH, please follow the instructions below and contact our office if you are in need of wiring instructions	
Amount: \$	Please make checks payable to: IRA Express, Inc. as agent for Custodian FBO (Your Name & IRA Number)

To rollover INVESTMENTS (private stock, real estate, LLCs, notes, etc.), please complete the asset description below and contact us regarding the re-registration of your investment.

Asset Description	Value
Total Value:	
<input type="checkbox"/> DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS ARE ATTACHED	<input type="checkbox"/> CURRENT STATEMENT IS ATTACHED



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### Part 6 Account Owner Signature and Acknowledgement

**Please note: Your current plan may require additional documentation. Most employer sponsored plans (PS, MP, DB, 401(k), 457 plans) require direct rollover paperwork to be filled out internally before allowing a rollover from their employer sponsored plan. Please contact the plan administrator of your plan for more information.**

**Please read the following statement carefully.**

I hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Rollover form and acknowledge having established a Self-Directed Account through execution of IRA Express Account Application. I understand the rules and conditions applicable to a (check one) ☐ Rollover ☐ Direct Rollover. I qualify for the Rollover or Direct Rollover of assets listed in the Asset Liquidation above and I authorize such transactions. If this is a Rollover or Direct Rollover, I have been advised to see a tax advisor due to the important tax consequences of rolling assets into a self-directed account. If this is a Rollover or Direct Rollover, I assume full responsibility for this Rollover or Direct Rollover transaction and will not hold the Plan Administrator and/or Custodian or Issuer of either the distributing or receiving plan liable for any adverse consequences that may result. I understand that no one at IRA Express has authority to agree to anything different than my foregoing understandings of IRA Express policy. If this is a Rollover or Direct Rollover, I irrevocably designate this contribution of assets as a rollover contribution. By signing this form, I certify that I am completing this rollover within:

- A. 60 calendar days following the day I received the assets, I have not performed a rollover from an IRA within the last 12 months, and that this rollover DOES NOT contain my Required Minimum Distribution.
- B. If am a non-spouse beneficiary, this is a direct rollover from an employer plan and the rollover contribution DOES NOT contain my Required Minimum Distribution.

**I have read and understand the disclosure above**

SIGNATURE	DATE
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# Form 5305-RA

(Rev. March 2002)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

## Roth Individual Retirement Custodial Account (Under Section 408A of the Internal Revenue Code)

### Article I

- 1.01 Except in the case of a rollover contribution described in section 408A(e), a recharacterized contribution described in section 408A(d)(6), or an IRA Conversion Contribution, the Custodian will accept only cash contributions up to \$3,000 per year for tax years 2002 through 2004. That contribution limit is increased to \$4,000 for tax years 2005 through 2007 and \$5,000 for 2008 and thereafter. For individuals who have reached the age of 50 before the close of the tax year, the contribution limit is increased to \$3,500 per year for tax years 2002 through 2004, \$4,500 for 2005, \$5,000 for 2006 and 2007, and \$6,000 for 2008 and thereafter. For tax years after 2008, the above limits will be increased to reflect a cost -of-living adjustment, if any.

### Article II

- 2.01 The annual contribution limit described in Article I is gradually reduced to \$0 for higher income levels. For a single Depositor, the annual contribution is phased out between adjusted gross income (AGI) of \$95,000 and \$110,000; for a married Depositor filing jointly, between AGI of \$150,000 and \$160,000; and for a married Depositor filing separately, between AGI of \$0 and \$10,000. In the case of a conversion, the Custodian will not accept IRA Conversion Contributions in a tax year if the Depositor's AGI for the tax year the funds were distributed from the other IRA exceeds \$100,000 or if the Depositor is married and files a separate return. Adjusted gross income is defined in section 408A(c)(3) and does not include IRA Conversion Contributions.
- 2.02 In the case of a joint return, the AGI limits in the preceding paragraph apply to the combined AGI of the Depositor and his or her spouse.

### Article III

- 3.01 The Depositor's interest in the balance in the Custodial account is nonforfeitable.

### Article IV

- 4.01 No part of the Custodial account funds may be invested in life insurance contracts, nor may the assets of the Custodial account be commingled with other property except in a common Custodial fund or common investment fund (within the meaning of section 408(a)(5)).
- 4.02 No part of the Custodial account funds may be invested in collectibles (within the meaning of section 408(m)) except as otherwise permitted by section 408(m)(3), which provides an exception for certain gold, silver, and platinum coins, coins issued under the laws of any state, and certain bullion.

### Article V

- 5.01 If the Depositor dies before his or her entire interest is distributed to him or her and the Depositor's surviving spouse is not the designated beneficiary, the remaining interest will be distributed in accordance with (a) below or, if elected or there is no designated beneficiary, in accordance with (b) below:
- (a) The remaining interest will be distributed; starting by the end of the calendar year following the year of the Depositor's death, over the designated beneficiary's remaining life expectancy as determined in the year following the death of the Depositor.
- (b) The remaining interest will be distributed by the end of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Depositor's death.
- 5.02 The minimum amount that must be distributed each year under paragraph 5.01(a) above is the account value at the close of business on December 31 of the preceding year divided by the life expectancy (in the single life table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9) of the designated beneficiary using the attained age of the beneficiary in the year following the year of the Depositor's death and subtracting 1 from the divisor for each subsequent year.
- 5.03 If the Depositor's surviving spouse is the designated beneficiary, such spouse will then be treated as the Depositor.

### Article VI

- 6.01 The Depositor agrees to provide the Custodian with all information necessary to prepare any reports required by sections 408(i) and 408A(d)(3)(E), Regulations sections 1.408-5 and 1.408-6, or other guidance published by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- 6.02 The Custodian agrees to submit to the IRS and Depositor the reports prescribed by the IRS.

### Article VII

- 7.01 Notwithstanding any other articles which may be added or incorporated, the provisions of Articles I through IV and this sentence will be controlling. Any additional articles inconsistent with section 408A, the related regulations, and other published guidance will be invalid.

### Article VIII

- 8.01 This agreement will be amended as necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code, the related regulations, and other published guidance. Other amendments may be made with the consent of the persons whose signatures appear on the Roth IRA Adoption Agreement.

### Article IX

- 9.01 **Applicable Law:** This Custodial Agreement is subject to all applicable federal laws and regulations and shall be governed by and construed under the applicable laws of the state of Kansas, where the Custodian is organized. The term Depositor also includes the Depositor's Beneficiary(ies), where appropriate throughout this Agreement. Any lawsuit filed against or by Custodian or Administrator shall only be instituted in the district or county courts of Johnson County, Kansas, where Custodian maintains its principal office, and Depositor agrees to submit to such jurisdiction both in connection with any such lawsuit which Depositor may file and in connection with any lawsuit which Custodian or Administrator may file against Depositor.
- 9.02 **Custodian and Administrator:**
- (a) The Custodian for the Custodial Account is **Mainstar Trust**.
- (b) The Administrator for the Custodial Account is **IRA Express, Inc.**, a Utah corporation.
- 9.03 **Agent for the Custodian:** The Custodian has appointed the Administrator to act as agent for the Custodian for the purpose of performing administrative or other custodial-related services with respect to the Custodial Account for which the Custodian otherwise has responsibility under this Agreement. All limitations of duties to the Depositor, and releases or indemnifications of the Custodian by the Depositor in this Agreement shall apply equally to the Administrator. The Administrator shall perform duties on behalf of the Custodian which include, but are not limited to, executing applications or adoption agreements, transfers, stock powers, escrow accounts, purchase agreements, notes, deeds, conveyances, liens, placing assets or liabilities in the Administrator's name for the benefit of the Depositor to provide administrative feasibility for such transactions, depositing contributions, and income, paying liabilities and distributions and government reporting for Depositors who have established a Custodial Account with the Custodian.
- 9.04 **Annual Accounting:** The Custodian shall, at least annually, provide the Depositor or Beneficiary (in the case of death) with an accounting of such Depositor's account. Such accounting shall be deemed to be accepted by the Depositor or Beneficiary, if the Depositor or Beneficiary does not object in writing within 60 days after the mailing of such accounting statement.
- 9.05 **Amendment:** The Depositor irrevocably delegates to the Custodian the right and power to amend this Custodial Agreement. Except as hereafter provided, the Custodian will give the Depositor 30 days prior written notice of any amendment. In case of a retroactive amendment required by law, the Custodian will provide written notice to the Depositor of the amendment within 30 days after the amendment is made, or if later, by the time that notice of the amendment is required to be given under regulations or other guidance provided by the IRS. The Depositor shall be deemed to have consented to any such amendment unless the Depositor notifies the Custodian to the contrary within 30 days after notice to the Depositor and requests a distribution or transfer of the balance in the account.
- 9.06 **Resignation and Removal of Custodian:**

- (a) The Custodian may resign and appoint a successor trustee or custodian to serve under this agreement or under another governing agreement selected by the successor trustee or custodian by giving the Depositor written notice at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such resignation and appointment, which notice shall also include or be provided under separate cover a copy of such other governing instrument, if applicable, and the related disclosure statement. The Depositor shall then have 30 days from the date of such notice to either request a distribution of the entire account balance or designate a different successor trustee or custodian and notify the Custodian of such designation. If the Depositor does not request distribution of the account balance or notify the Custodian of the designation of a different successor trustee or custodian within such 30 day period, the Depositor shall be deemed to have consented to the appointment of the successor trustee or custodian and the terms of any new governing instrument, and neither the Depositor nor the successor shall be required to execute any written document to complete the transfer of the account to the successor trustee or custodian. The successor trustee or custodian may rely on any information, including beneficiary designations, previously provided by the Depositor to the Custodian.
- (b) The Depositor may at any time remove the Custodian and replace the Custodian with a successor trustee or custodian of the Depositor's choice by giving 30 days notice of such removal and replacement. The Custodian shall then deliver the assets of the account as directed by the Depositor. However, the Custodian may retain a portion of the assets of the Custodial Account as a reserve for payment of any anticipated remaining fees and expenses, and shall pay over any remainder of this reserve to the successor trustee or custodian upon satisfaction of such fees and expenses.
- (c) The Custodian may resign and demand that the Depositor appoint a successor trustee or custodian of this Custodial Account by giving the Depositor written notice at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such resignation. The Depositor shall then have 30 days from the date of such notice to designate a successor trustee or custodian, notify the Custodian of the name and address of the successor trustee or custodian, and provide the Custodian with appropriate evidence that such successor has accepted the appointment and is qualified to serve as trustee or custodian of an individual retirement account.
  - (1) If the Depositor designates a successor trustee or custodian and provides the Custodian evidence of the successor's acceptance of appointment and qualification within such 30-day period, the Custodian shall then deliver all of the assets held by the Custodian in the account (whether in cash or personal or real property, wherever located, and regardless of value) to the successor trustee or custodian.
  - (2) If the Depositor does not notify the Custodian of the appointment of a successor trustee or custodian within such 30 day period, then the Custodian may distribute all of the assets held by the Custodian in the account (whether in cash or personal or real property, wherever located, and regardless of value) to the Depositor, outright and free of trust, and the Depositor shall be wholly responsible for the tax consequences of such distribution.

In either case, the Custodian may expend any assets in the account to pay expenses of transfer (including re-registering the assets and preparation of deeds, assignments, and other instruments of transfer or conveyance) to the successor trustee or custodian or the Depositor, as the case may be. In addition, the Custodian may retain a portion of the assets as a reserve for payment of any anticipated remaining fees and expenses. Upon satisfaction of such fees and expenses, the Custodian shall pay over any remainder of the reserve to the successor trustee or custodian or to the Depositor, as the case may be.

- (d) Administrator may at any time select a qualified successor custodian by giving the Depositor and Custodian written notice at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such appointment, which notice shall also include or be provided under separate cover a copy of such other governing instrument, if applicable, and the related disclosure statement. The Depositor shall then have 30 days from the date of such notice to either request a distribution of the entire Custodial Account balance or designate a different successor trustee or custodian and notify the Custodian and Administrator of such designation. If the Depositor does not request distribution of the Custodial Account balance or notify the Administrator of the designation of a different successor trustee or custodian within such 30 day period, the Depositor shall be deemed to have consented to the appointment of the successor custodian and the terms of any new governing instrument, and neither the Depositor nor the successor shall be required to execute any written document to complete the transfer of the Custodial Account to the successor custodian. The successor custodian may rely on any information, including beneficiary designations, previously provided by the Depositor to the Custodian.

#### 9.07 **Custodian's and Administrator's Fees and Expenses:**

- (a) The Depositor agrees to pay the Custodian any and all fees specified in the Custodian's current published fee schedule for establishing and maintaining this Custodial Account, including any fees for distributions from, transfers from, and terminations of this Custodial Account. The Custodian may change its fee schedule at any time by giving the Depositor 30 days prior written notice.
- (b) The Depositor agrees to pay any expenses incurred by the Custodian or the Administrator in the performance of its duties in connection with the account. Such expenses include, but are not limited to, administrative expenses, legal fees, accounting fees, regulatory fees and any taxes or assessments of any kind whatsoever that may be levied with respect to such account.
- (c) All such fees, taxes, and other administrative expenses charged to the account shall be collected either from the assets in the account or from any contributions to or distributions from such account if not paid by the Depositor, but the Depositor shall be responsible for any deficiency.
- (d) In the event that for any reason the Custodian is not certain as to who is entitled to receive all or part of the assets in the Custodial Account, the Custodian reserves the right to withhold any payment from the Custodial Account, to request a court ruling to determine the disposition of the Custodial assets, and to charge the Custodial Account for any expenses incurred in obtaining such legal determination.
- (e) The Custodian shall be entitled to receive, from the assets held in the Custodial Account, a fee equal in amount to all income that is generated from any Undirected Cash (defined as any cash in the Custodial Account not invested pursuant to a specific investment direction by Depositor) which is held by Custodian in an account or product of an FDIC or other United States government insured financial institution, United States government securities, or securities that are insured or guaranteed by the United States government, as provided in Section 10.01(b) below. Custodian's fees from the Undirected Cash in the Custodial Account are associated with cash management activities, including, but not limited to, account maintenance, depository bank selection, transaction processing, sub-accounting, record keeping, and other services performed under the terms of this Agreement. Custodian retains the right, but does not have the obligation, to reduce this fee by rebating a portion of the fee into the Custodial Account. The Depositor agrees that this fee may be retained by the Custodian as compensation for the services provided by Custodian under this Agreement. The Custodian may pay all or an agreed portion of this fee to the Administrator as agreed between the Custodian and the Administrator. The Custodian reserves the right to change all or part of the Custodial Fee Schedule at its discretion with 30 days advance written notice to Depositor.
- (f) In addition to any portion of the Custodian's fee that the Administrator receives from the Custodian as provided in Section 9.07(e), the Administrator shall be entitled to fees for account opening, asset purchases and sales, distributions, transfers, terminations, and annual administration of the Custodial Account, along with other miscellaneous fees, as disclosed in a fee schedule provided by the Administrator to the Depositor. The Administrator may change its fee schedule at any time by giving the Depositor 30 days prior written notice. If payment is not received within thirty (30) days from the due date reflected on an invoice, a past due notice will be mailed to Depositor and a late fee equal to the lower of (a) 1.5% of the outstanding invoice for every month or partial month that the invoice is outstanding or (b) the maximum late penalty permitted under the state law where the Administrator is organized, shall be assessed to the Custodial Account. Additionally, assets may be liquidated from the account, without notice, for any outstanding fee which has not been paid. If fees are not paid within thirty (30) days after Administrator has mailed the past due notice, Administrator will begin the process of closing the Custodial Account. Any asset distributed directly to Depositor as part of closing the Custodial Account will be reported to the IRS on Form 1099-R and may subject the Depositor to possible taxes and penalties. Accounts with past due fees, unfunded accounts, and accounts with zero value will continue to incur administration fees until such time as Depositor notifies Administrator (on a form prescribed by Custodian) of Depositor's intent to close the account or until Custodian resigns.

9.08 **Withdrawal Requests:** All requests for withdrawal shall be in writing on the form provided by the Custodian. Such written notice must also contain the reason for the withdrawal and the method of distribution being requested. The Custodian reserves the right to reject any withdrawal request it may deem appropriate and to apply to a court of competent jurisdiction to make a determination with respect to the proper party eligible to receive a distribution from the account.

9.09 **Responsibilities:** Depositor agrees that all information and instructions given to the Custodian by the Depositor are complete and accurate and that the



Custodian shall not be responsible for any incomplete or inaccurate information provided by the Depositor or Depositor's beneficiary(ies). Depositor and Depositor's beneficiaries agree to be responsible for all tax consequences arising from contributions to and distributions from this Custodial Account and acknowledges that no tax advice has been provided by the Custodian.

**9.10 Designation of Beneficiary:**

- (a) Except as may be otherwise required by State law, in the event of the Depositor's death, the balance in the account shall be paid to the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by the Depositor on a beneficiary designation form acceptable to and filed with the Custodian. The Depositor may change the Depositor's beneficiary or beneficiaries at any time by filing a new beneficiary designation with the Custodian. If no beneficiary designation is in effect, if none of the named beneficiaries survive the Depositor, or if the Custodian cannot locate any of the named beneficiaries after reasonable search, any balance in the account will be payable to the Depositor's estate.
- (b) If the Custodian permits, in the event of the Depositor's death, any beneficiary may name a subsequent beneficiary(ies) to receive the balance of the account to which such beneficiary is entitled upon the death of the original beneficiary by filing a Subsequent Beneficiary Designation Form acceptable to and filed with the Custodian. Payments to such subsequent beneficiary(ies) shall be distributed in accordance with the payment schedule applicable to the original beneficiary. In no event can any subsequent beneficiary be treated as a designated beneficiary of the Depositor. The preceding sentence shall not apply with respect to the subsequent beneficiary(ies), if any, of an original spouse beneficiary where the Depositor dies before Depositor's required beginning date. In this case, the original spouse beneficiary is treated as the Depositor. If the balance of the account has not been completely distributed to the original beneficiary and such beneficiary has not named a subsequent beneficiary or no named subsequent beneficiary is living on the date of the original beneficiary's death, such balance shall be payable to the estate of the original beneficiary.

**9.11 Spousal Beneficiary Provisions:** Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 5.03, if the Depositor's only primary beneficiary is the surviving spouse, such spouse may elect to be treated as a non-spouse beneficiary for purposes of the provisions of Articles 5.01 and 5.02, but including the special rule provided under section 401(a)(9)(B)(iv) of the Code. Thus, a surviving spouse beneficiary may remain the beneficiary of the deceased spouse's Roth IRA and be able to take death distributions under the five year rule or the exception to the five year rule, including the ability to wait to begin receiving distributions over Depositor's single life expectancy by December 31 of the year the deceased spouse would have attained the age of 70½ had he or she lived, if this date is later than the December 31 immediately following the year of death. In addition, if the surviving spouse is not the sole beneficiary of the Roth IRA, in addition to the provisions of Articles 5.01 and 5.02, the surviving spouse beneficiary may elect to treat his or her beneficial portion of the deceased spouse's Roth IRA as his or her own Roth IRA.

**9.12 Responsibility for Determining Eligibility for Conversion Contributions:** Notwithstanding the provisions of the third sentence of Article II, the Depositor agrees to be solely responsible for determining eligibility to convert any of the Depositor's traditional IRAs or an employer's plan to a Roth IRA. The conversion eligibility requirements are eliminated for years after December 31, 2009.

**9.13 Combining Regular Roth IRA Contributions with Roth Conversion Contributions:** The Depositor may combine regular Roth IRA contributions in the same Roth IRA account as Roth IRA conversion contributions. The Depositor agrees to designate each deposit as either a regular Roth IRA contribution (and the tax year to which it relates) or a Roth IRA conversion contribution. The Depositor further agrees that he/she will be solely responsible for any recordkeeping of such deposits as determined or required by the Internal Revenue Service, including but not limited to, the timing, ordering and taxation of any distributions.

**9.14 Death Benefit Default Provisions:** If the Depositor dies and the beneficiary does not select a method of distribution described in Article V, Section 5.01(a) or (b) by the December 31st following the year of the Depositor's death, then distributions will be made pursuant to the single life expectancy of the Designated Beneficiary determined in accordance with IRS regulations. However, no payment will be made until the beneficiary provides the Custodian with a proper distribution request acceptable to the Custodian and other documentation that may be required by the Custodian. A beneficiary may at any time request a complete distribution of his or her remaining interest in the Custodial Account. The Custodian reserves the right to require a minimum balance in the account in order to make periodic payments from the account.

**9.15 Transitional Rule for Determining Required Minimum Distributions for Calendar Year 2002:** Unless the Custodian provides otherwise, if a beneficiary is subject to required minimum distributions for calendar year 2002, such individual may elect to apply the 1987 proposed regulations, the 2001 proposed regulations, or the 2002 final regulations in determining the amount of the 2002 required minimum. However, the Custodian, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to perform any required minimum distribution calculations through its data systems or otherwise based upon any of the three sets of regulations delineated in the previous sentence.

## **ARTICLE X SELF-DIRECTED IRA PROVISIONS**

**10.01 Investment of Contributions:**

- (a) At the direction of the Depositor (or the direction of the beneficiary upon the Depositor's death), the Custodian shall invest all contributions to the Custodial Account and earnings thereon in investments that are acceptable to the Custodian, and that are considered administratively feasible by the Custodian, which may include but are not limited to marketable securities traded on a recognized exchange or "over the counter" (excluding any securities issued by the Custodian), certificates of deposit, real estate, deeds of trust, mortgages, unsecured notes, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, private stock, other private placement offerings, and other investments to which the Custodian consents, in such amounts as are specifically selected and specified by the Depositor in orders to the Custodian in such form as may be acceptable to the Custodian, without any duty to diversify and without regard to whether such property is authorized by the laws of any jurisdiction as a trust investment. The Custodian shall be responsible for the execution of such orders and for maintaining adequate records thereof. However, if any such orders are not received as required, or, if received, are unclear in the opinion of the Custodian, or if there is insufficient Undirected Cash in the Custodial Account to comply with such orders, all or a portion of the contribution may be held uninvested without liability for loss of income or appreciation, and without liability for interest pending receipt of such orders or clarification, or the contribution may be returned. The Custodian and the Administrator shall have no duty other than to follow the written investment directions of the Depositor, and shall be under no duty to question said instructions and shall not be liable for any investment losses sustained by the Depositor under any circumstances.
- (b) Depositor hereby acknowledges and agrees that Custodian will deposit all Undirected Cash in the Custodial Account into pooled deposit accounts at one or more FDIC or other United States government insured institutions or in United States government securities or in securities that are insured or products from or guaranteed by the United States government pending further investment direction by Depositor. All income generated by Undirected Cash in Custodian's pooled deposit accounts shall be retained by Custodian as fees, as described in paragraph 9.07(e) above. Depositor authorizes Custodian to transfer any Undirected Cash in the Custodial Account into any FDIC insured financial institution or in United States government securities or in securities that are insured or guaranteed by the United States government without any further approval or direction by the Depositor.

**10.02 Indemnification:** The Custodian and Administrator shall have no duty other than to follow the written instructions of the Depositor, and shall be under no duty to question said instructions and shall not be liable for any investment losses sustained by the Depositor under any circumstances. By performing services under this Agreement, the Custodian and the Administrator are acting as the agent of Depositor, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring fiduciary status on the Custodian or the Administrator. Depositor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Custodian and the Administrator from any and all claims, damages, liability, actions, costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) and any loss to the Custodial Account, to the Depositor or to Depositor's beneficiary(ies) as a result of any action taken (or omitted to be taken) pursuant to and/or in connection with any investment transaction directed by Depositor or Depositor's investment advisor or resulting from serving as the Custodian or the Administrator, including, without limitation, claims, damages, liability, actions and losses asserted by the Depositor or the Depositor's beneficiary(ies).

**10.03 Registration:** All assets of the Custodial Account shall be registered in the name of the Custodian, or in the name of the Administrator, who shall be the nominee of the Custodian for purposes of holding assets of the Custodial Account. The same Administrator may be the nominee of the Custodian with respect to the holding of assets of other investors whether or not held under agreements similar to this one or in any capacity whatsoever; and the Custodian may commingle the assets so held to the extent permitted by law. However, the Custodial Account and each other account or asset so held shall each be separate and distinct; a separate account therefore shall be maintained by the Custodian (or by the Administrator on behalf of the Custodian). The assets of the Custodial

- Account may be held by the Custodian in individual or bulk segregation either in the Custodian's vaults or vaults of the Custodian's agent or through brokerage accounts of entities permitted to hold assets of the applicable type under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Commodities Exchange Act.
- 10.04 **Investment Advisor:** The Depositor may appoint an Investment Advisor, qualified under Section 3(38) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, to direct the investment of the Custodial Account or any specified portion of the Custodial Account. The Depositor shall notify the Custodian in writing of any such appointment by providing the Custodian a copy of the instruments appointing the Investment Advisor and evidencing the Investment Advisor's acceptance of such appointment, an acknowledgment by the Investment Advisor that it is a fiduciary of the account, and a certificate evidencing the Investment Advisor's current registration under the Investment Advisor's Act of 1940. The Custodian shall comply with any investment directions furnished to it by the Investment Advisor, unless and until it receives written notification from the Depositor that the Investment Advisor's appointment has been terminated. The Custodian and the Administrator shall have no duty other than to follow the written investment directions of such Investment Advisor and shall be under no duty to question said instructions, and the Custodian and Administrator shall not be liable for any investment losses sustained by the Depositor as a result of following the written investment directions of the Depositor's Investment Advisor.
- 10.05 **No Investment Advice:** The Depositor acknowledges and agrees that the Custodian and the Administrator do not provide or assume responsibility for any tax, legal or investment advice with respect to the investments and assets in the Custodial Account and shall not be liable for any loss which results from the Depositor's exercise of control over the Custodial Account. The Depositor and the Depositor's beneficiary(ies) release, indemnify and agree to hold the Custodian and the Administrator harmless in the event that any investment or sale of the assets in the Custodial Account pursuant to a direction by the Depositor or the Depositor's Investment Advisor violates any federal or state law or regulation or otherwise results in a disqualification, penalty, tax or fine imposed upon the Custodian, the Administrator, the Depositor or the Custodial Account.
- 10.06 **Prohibited Transactions:** The Depositor acknowledges and agrees that the Custodial Account is subject to the provisions of section 4975, which defines certain prohibited transactions. Depositor acknowledges and agrees that the Custodian and the Administrator shall make no determination as to whether any transaction or investment in the Custodial Account is prohibited under sections 4975, 408(e) or 408A, or under any other state or federal law. The Depositor understands that should the Custodial Account engage in a prohibited transaction, and depending on the type of prohibited transaction, certain assets of the Custodial Account will be deemed to have been distributed and will be subject to taxes as well as possible penalties. The Depositor agrees that he or she will consult with a tax or legal professional of the Depositor's choice to ensure that none of the investments in the Custodial Account will constitute a prohibited transaction and that the investments in the Custodial Account comply with all applicable federal and state laws, regulations and requirements.
- 10.07 **Unrelated Business Income Tax:** The Depositor acknowledges and agrees that the Custodial Account is subject to the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Sections 511-514 relating to Unrelated Business Taxable Income (UBTI) of tax-exempt organizations. If the Depositor directs the Custodian to make an investment in the Custodial Account which generates UBTI, the Depositor agrees to prepare or have prepared the required IRS Form 990-T tax return, an application for an Employer Identification Number (EIN) for the Custodial Account (if not previously obtained), and any other documents that may be required, and to submit them to the Custodian for filing with the Internal Revenue Service at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which the return is due, along with an appropriate directive authorizing the Custodian to execute the forms on behalf of the Custodial Account and to pay the applicable tax from the assets in the Custodial Account. Depositor understands and acknowledges that the Custodian and the Administrator do not make any determination of whether or not investments in the Custodial Account generate UBTI; have no duty to and do not monitor whether or not the Custodial Account has incurred UBTI; and do not prepare Form 990-T on behalf of the Custodial Account.
- 10.08 **Disclosures and Voting:** The Custodian shall deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, to Depositor all notices, prospectuses, financial statements, proxies and proxy soliciting materials relating to assets credited to the account. The Custodian shall not vote any shares of stock or take any other action, pursuant to such documents, with respect to such assets except upon receipt by the Custodian of adequate written instructions from Depositor.
- 10.09 **Miscellaneous Expenses:** In addition to those expenses set out in Section 9.05 of this plan, the Depositor agrees to pay any and all expenses incurred by the Custodian in connection with the investment of the account, including expenses of preparation and filing any returns and reports with regard to unrelated business income, including taxes and estimated taxes, as well as any transfer taxes incurred in connection with the investment or reinvestment of the assets of the account.
- 10.10 **Valuations:** The assets in the Custodial Account shall be valued annually at the end of each calendar year in accordance with section 408(i) and other guidance provided by the IRS, but Custodian retains the right to value the assets in the Custodial Account more frequently. In valuing the assets of the Custodial Account for record keeping and government reporting purposes, Custodian will ascertain the fair market value of each investment through utilizing various third-party pricing sources and designated valuation agents. However, Custodian does not guarantee the accuracy of prices obtained from these sources. Where assets are illiquid or their value is not readily ascertainable on either an established exchange or generally recognized market, the valuation is by necessity not a true market value and is merely an estimate of value, and Depositor agrees not to rely on any such valuation for any other purposes. Depositor agrees to provide the year end value of any illiquid and/or non-publicly traded investments, which may include without limitation limited partnerships, limited liability companies, privately held stock, real estate investment trusts, hedge funds, real estate, secured and unsecured promissory notes, and any other investments as Custodian shall designate, by no later than the following January 10th. If Custodian does not receive a current year end fair market value by the following January 10th for any such investment, the Custodian shall take appropriate actions to receive the fair market value from an independent third party that specializes in valuations, paying the cost of such valuation from the liquid assets held in the Custodial Account, or in the alternative after having first received the cost of the valuation from Depositor or Depositor's beneficiary(ies) if liquid investments in the Custodial Account are otherwise insufficient. Unless Custodian has received a written fair market valuation to the contrary, promissory notes and privately offered corporate debt will have valuations reflected at the face value shown on the original note or debt instrument, or if the note is subject to an amortization schedule and the amortization schedule has been provided to Custodian by Depositor, valuation may be shown at the principal amount shown on the amortization schedule as of the end of the previous year. Depositor, and upon Depositor's death Depositor's beneficiary(ies), agree to indemnify and hold harmless Custodian from any and all losses, expenses, settlements, or claims with regard to investment decisions, distribution values, tax reporting or any other financial impact or consequence relating to or arising from the valuation of assets in the Custodial Account.
- 10.11 **Insurance, Tax and Other Payments:** Custodian and Administrator shall not bear or assume any responsibility to notify Depositor or to secure or maintain any fire, casualty, liability or other insurance coverage, including but not limited to title insurance coverage, on any real or personal property owned in the Custodial Account or on any property which serves as collateral under any mortgage, deed of trust, or other security instrument with respect to any promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness in the Custodial Account. Depositor acknowledges and agrees that it is the responsibility of Depositor to decide what insurance is necessary or appropriate for any investment in the Custodial Account, and to direct Custodian in writing (on a form prescribed by Custodian) to pay the premiums for any such insurance. Custodian and Administrator shall not be responsible for notification or payments of any real estate taxes, homeowners association dues, utilities or other charges with respect to any investment held in the Custodial Account unless Depositor specifically directs the Custodian to pay the same in writing (on a form prescribed by Custodian), and sufficient funds are available to pay the same from the Custodial Account. Depositor acknowledges and agrees that it shall be Depositor's responsibility to provide to Custodian or to ensure that Custodian has received any and all bills for insurance, taxes, homeowners dues, utilities or other amounts due for assets held in the Custodial Account. Furthermore, Depositor agrees that it shall be Depositor's responsibility to determine that payments have been made by verifying the payments via Depositor's Custodial Account statements.

## Article XI

### Miscellaneous Provisions

- 11.01 **Electronic Communications, Signatures, and Records:** Subject to any limitations contained in Treasury Regulation section 1.401(a)-21 and any other applicable federal or state law or regulation, Depositor acknowledges and agrees that the Custodial Account shall be subject to the provisions of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, as passed in the state where the Custodian is organized (Kansas Statutes Annotated (KSA) Sections 16-601 et seq.), and the federal Electronic Signature in Global and National Commerce Act (ESIGN Act, as contained in 15 U.S.C. 7001), as those laws pertain to electronic communication,

electronic signatures, and electronic storage of Custodial Account records. Pursuant to KSA section 9-1130(f), in lieu of the retention of the original records, Custodian may cause any, or all, of its records, and records at any time in its custody, to be photographed or otherwise reproduced to permanent form, and any such photograph or reproduction shall have the same force and effect as the original thereof and may be admitted in evidence equally with the original.

- 11.02 **Severability:** If any provision of this Custodial Account Agreement is found to be illegal, invalid, void or unenforceable, such provision shall be severed and such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions which shall remain in full force and effect. Neither Depositor's or Custodian's failure to enforce at any time or for any period of time any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of such provisions, or Depositor's right or Custodian's right to enforce each and every such provision.

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## General Instructions

(Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.)

### Purpose of Form

Form 5305-RA is a model Custodial account agreement that meets the requirements of section 408A and has been pre-approved by the IRS. A Roth individual retirement account (Roth IRA) is established after the form is fully executed by both the individual (Depositor) and the Custodian. This account must be created in the United States for the exclusive benefit of the Depositor and his or her beneficiaries.

**Do not** file Form 5305-RA with the IRS. Instead, keep it with your records.

Unlike contributions to traditional individual retirement arrangements, contributions to a Roth IRA are not deductible from the Depositor's gross income; and distributions after 5 years that are made when the Depositor is 59½ years of age or older or on account of death, disability, or the purchase of a home by a first-time homebuyer (limited to \$10,000), are not includible in gross income. For more information on Roth IRAs, including the required disclosures the Custodian must give the Depositor, see Pub. 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

### Definitions

**IRA Conversion Contributions.** IRA Conversion Contributions are amounts rolled over, transferred, or considered transferred from a nonRoth IRA to a Roth IRA. A nonRoth IRA is an individual retirement account or annuity described in section 408(a) or 408(b), other than a Roth IRA.

**Custodian.** The Custodian must be a bank or savings and loan association, as defined in section 408(n), or any person who has the approval of the IRS to act as Custodian.

**Depositor.** The Depositor is the person who establishes the Custodial account.

### Specific Instructions

**Article I.** The Depositor may be subject to a 6% tax on excess contributions if **(1)** contributions to other individual retirement arrangements of the Depositor have been made for the same tax year, **(2)** the Depositor's adjusted gross income exceeds the applicable limits in Article II for the tax year, or **(3)** the Depositor's and spouse's compensation is less than the amount contributed by or on behalf of them for the tax year. The Depositor should see the disclosure statement or Pub. 590 for more information.

**Article V.** This article describes how distributions will be made from the Roth IRA after the Depositor's death. Elections made pursuant to this article should be reviewed periodically to ensure they correspond to the Depositor's intent. Under paragraph 3 of Article V, the Depositor's spouse is treated as the owner of the Roth IRA upon the death of the Depositor, rather than as the beneficiary. If the spouse is to be treated as the beneficiary, and not the owner, an overriding provision should be added to Article IX.

**Article IX.** Article IX and any that follow it may incorporate additional provisions that are agreed to by the Depositor and Custodian to complete the agreement. They may include, for example, definitions, investment powers, voting rights, exculpatory provisions, amendment and termination, removal of the Custodian, Custodian's fees, state law requirements, beginning date of distributions, accepting only cash, treatment of excess contributions, prohibited transactions with the Depositor, etc. Attach additional pages if necessary.

# ROTH IRA DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

## RIGHT TO REVOKE YOUR ROTH IRA ACCOUNT

You may revoke your Roth IRA within 7 days after you sign the Roth IRA Adoption Agreement by hand-delivering or mailing a written notice to the name and address indicated below:

IRA Express  
74 N. Main Street  
Cedar City, UT 84720

If you revoke your account by mailing a written notice, such notice must be postmarked by the 7th day after you sign the Adoption Agreement. If you revoke your Roth IRA within the 7 day period you will receive a refund of the entire amount of your contributions to the Roth IRA without any adjustment for earnings or any administrative expenses. If you exercise this revocation, we are still required to report the contribution on Form 5498 (except transfers) and the revoked distribution on Form 1099-R.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF A ROTH IRA

- Your contributions must be made in cash, unless you are making a qualified rollover or transfer contribution and the Custodian accepts non-cash rollover or transfer contributions.
- The annual contributions you make on your behalf to all of your Roth IRAs and traditional IRAs may not exceed the lesser of 100% of your compensation or the "applicable annual dollar limitation" (defined below), unless you are making a qualified rollover or transfer contribution.
- Your regular annual Roth IRA contributions for any taxable year may be deposited at any time during that taxable year and up to the due date for the filing of your Federal income tax return for that taxable year, no extensions. This generally means April 15th of the following year.
- The Custodian of your Roth IRA must be a bank, savings and loan association, credit union or a person who is approved to act in such a capacity by the Secretary of the Treasury.
- No portion of your Roth IRA funds may be invested in life insurance contracts.
- Your interest in your Roth IRA is nonforfeitable at all times.
- The assets in your Roth IRA may not be commingled with other property except in a common Custodial fund or common investment fund.
- You may not invest the assets of your Roth IRA in collectibles (as described in Section 408(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.) A collectible is defined as any work of art, rug or antique, metal or gem, stamp or coin, alcoholic beverage, or any other tangible personal property specified by the IRS. However, if the Custodian permits, specially-minted US gold, silver, and platinum coins and certain state-issued coins are permissible Roth IRA investments. Beginning on 1/1/98, you may also invest in certain gold, silver, platinum or palladium bullion, if the trustee or custodian permits. Such bullion must be in the physical possession of the Roth IRA trustee or custodian.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO MAKE A REGULAR ROTH IRA CONTRIBUTION?

You are permitted to make regular contributions to your Roth IRA for any taxable year if you receive compensation for such taxable year. Compensation includes salaries, wages, tips, commissions, bonuses, alimony, royalties from creative efforts and "earned income" in the case of self-employeds. Members of the Armed Forces who serve in combat zones who receive compensation that is otherwise non-taxable, are considered to have taxable compensation for purposes of making regular Roth IRA contributions. The amount which is permitted to be contributed depends upon your modified adjusted gross income (Modified AGI); your marital status; and your tax filing status discussed below.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO A ROTH IRA

**Regular Roth IRA Contributions** - The maximum amount you may contribute for any year is the lesser of 100% of your compensation or the "applicable annual dollar limitation" (described below). Your actual contribution limit depends upon your marital status, tax filing status, and your Modified AGI.

### Applicable Annual Dollar Limitation

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Contribution Limit</u>
2001	\$2,000
2002 through 2004	\$3,000
2005 through 2007	\$4,000
2008 through 2012	\$5,000
2013 through 2016	\$5,500

After 2016, the \$5,500 annual limit will be subject to cost-of living increases in increments of \$500, rounded to the lower increment.

**Catch-up Contributions** - Beginning for 2002, if an individual has attained the age of 50 before the close of the taxable year for which an annual contribution is being made and meets the other eligibility requirements for making regular Roth IRA contributions, the annual Roth IRA contribution limit for that individual would be increased as follows:

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Normal Limit</u>	<u>Additional Catch-up</u>	<u>Total Contribution</u>
2002	\$3,000	\$ 500	\$3,500
2003	\$3,000	\$ 500	\$3,500
2004	\$3,000	\$ 500	\$3,500
2005	\$4,000	\$ 500	\$4,500
2006	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$5,000
2007	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$5,000
2008-2012	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$6,000
2013-2016	\$5,500	\$1,000	\$6,500

The additional catch-up amount for Roth IRAs is not subject to COLAs. Therefore, after 2008 when the \$5,000 normal limit increases to \$5,500 due to COLAs, the additional catch-up amount will remain at \$1,000 with no further increases to the catch-up amount.

**Special IRA Catch-up Contributions for Certain Section 401(k) Participants** - Special Roth IRA catch-up contributions were permitted for each of years 2007, 2008 and 2009 equal to the applicable year's age-50 catch-up limit multiplied by 3. To be eligible for this special catch-up Roth IRA contribution, the individual must have been a participant in an employer's §401(k) plan where employer-matching contributions were being made at the rate of at least 50% of the participant's deferrals with employer stock and such employer is in bankruptcy and is subject to an indictment or conviction. The individual is not required to be age 50 in order to take advantage of this rule. However, if the individual is age 50 or over, he or she may not contribute the age-50 catch-up amount in addition to this special catch-up.

The deadline for making such special catch-up contributions was the normal deadline for the applicable year. For example, an eligible individual took advantage of this rule for calendar year 2008. The normal regular Roth IRA contribution limit for 2008 was \$5,000 and the normal age-50 catch-up contribution limit for 2008 was \$1,000. The eligible individual could contribute the \$5,000 normal limit plus a special catch-up contribution of \$3,000 for a total of \$8,000. The deadline for making this contribution was the 2008 tax filing deadline, no extensions.

All regular contributions (including catch-up contributions) to a Roth IRA are nondeductible. The maximum amount you may contribute to a Roth IRA is reduced by any contributions you make to all of your traditional IRAs for the same tax year.

**Modified Adjusted Gross Income** - The amount of your regular annual Roth IRA contribution depends upon your Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) for the taxable year and your marital status. If your MAGI is below a certain amount, you can contribute the entire contribution subject to the dollar limit. If your MAGI is above a certain amount, you cannot make any regular contribution to a Roth IRA. If your MAGI is between certain amounts, you are entitled to making a partial Roth IRA contribution. You are responsible for keeping track of your Roth IRA contributions so that you can report Roth IRA distributions on IRS Form 8606. Refer to the chart below for the MAGI ranges. Beginning in 2007, the MAGI ranges are subject to cost-of-living adjustments. Also refer to IRS Publication 590 for additional information.

	<u>Married Participants Filing Jointly</u>	<u>Unmarried Participants</u>	<u>Married Participants Filing Separately</u>
1998 – 2006	\$150,000 - \$160,000	\$ 95,000 - \$110,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2007	\$156,000 - \$166,000	\$ 99,000 - \$114,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2008	\$159,000 - \$169,000	\$101,000 - \$116,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2009	\$166,000 - \$176,000	\$105,000 - \$120,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2010	\$167,000 - \$177,000	\$105,000 - \$120,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2011	\$169,000 - \$179,000	\$107,000 - \$122,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2012	\$173,000 - \$183,000	\$110,000 - \$125,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2013	\$178,000 - \$188,000	\$112,000 - \$127,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2014	\$181,000 - \$191,000	\$114,000 - \$129,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2015	\$183,000 - \$193,000	\$116,000 - \$131,000	\$0 - \$10,000
2016	\$184,000 - \$194,000	\$117,000 - \$132,000	\$0 - \$10,000

**Spousal Roth IRAs**- If you and your spouse file a joint tax return and have unequal compensation (including no compensation for one spouse or one spouse who chooses to be treated as receiving no compensation) you may establish separate Roth IRAs for each spouse. The total annual contribution limit for both Roth IRAs may not exceed 100% of the combined compensation for both spouses, but neither Roth IRA may accept more than the Applicable Annual Dollar Limitation per spouse, plus the additional catch-up amount, if applicable.

The maximum Roth IRA contribution for the spouse is then reduced by:

- (1) regular traditional IRA contributions made on behalf of such spouse; and
- (2) Roth IRA contributions made on behalf of such spouse.

This annual limit may be further reduced if the Modified AGI exceeds the levels discussed above.

**\$200 Minimum Roth IRA Contribution** - If you fall into any of the categories listed above, your minimum allowable Roth IRA contribution will be \$200 until phased out under the appropriate marital status. In other words, if your Roth IRA contribution amount calculated under the appropriate dollar amounts discussed above results in a contribution between \$0 and \$200, your permitted contribution is \$200 instead of the calculated amount. If the result is not a multiple of \$10, round up to the nearest \$10.

**Modified AGI** - Modified AGI does not include any conversions to a Roth IRA and included in income. Modified AGI is determined before deductible traditional IRA contributions. Effective for distributions after December 31, 2004, Modified AGI does not include any amounts that are required minimum distributions pursuant to section 408(a)(6) only for purposes of determining eligibility for conversion contributions.

**Miscellaneous Contribution Rules** - Contributions are permitted after you attain age 70½, so long as you have compensation and meet the AGI limits described above. Contributions are permitted regardless of whether you are an active participant in an employer-sponsored plan.

**Special Rules for Qualified Reservist Distributions** – Qualified Reservist Distributions withdrawn from a Roth IRA are eligible to be repaid to a Roth IRA within a 2-year period after the end of active duty. A Qualified Reservist Distribution is a distribution received from a Roth IRA by members of the National Guard or reservists who are called to active duty for a period of at least 180 days and such distribution is taken during the period of such active duty. This provision is retroactively effective with respect to distributions after September 11, 2001, for individuals called to active duty after September 11, 2001. The repayments are not treated as tax-free rollovers. Instead, the repayments become basis in the Roth IRA.

#### EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS TO A ROTH IRA

Generally, an excess Roth IRA contribution is any contribution which exceeds the contribution limits. Such excess amount is subject to a 6% excise tax on the principal remaining amount of the excess each year until the excess is corrected.

**Method of Withdrawing Excess in a Timely Manner** - This 6% excise tax may be avoided, if the excess amount plus the earnings attributable to the excess are distributed to you by your tax filing deadline including extensions for the year during which the excess contribution was made. If you decide to correct your excess in

this manner, the principal amount of the excess returned to you is not taxable; however, the earnings attributable to the excess are taxable to you in the year in which the contribution was made. In addition, if you are under age 59½, the earnings attributable to the excess amount are subject to a 10% additional income tax. This is the only method of correcting an excess contribution that will avoid the 6% excise tax. The earnings attributable to an excess contribution will always be taxable, even if you would otherwise meet the definition of a "qualified distribution" discussed later.

**Undercontribution Method** - If an excess is not corrected by the tax filing deadline, including extensions, for the year during which the excess contribution was made, such excess contribution may be applied, on a year-by-year basis, against the annual limit for regular Roth IRA contributions. However, in order to "carry over" the excess contribution and treat it as a contribution made for a subsequent year, the participant must meet the eligibility requirements for the subsequent year. In addition, the taxpayer is subject to the 6% excise tax for the initial year and each subsequent year until the excess is used up.

## CONTRIBUTION RECHARACTERIZATIONS

You may be able to recharacterize certain contributions under the following two different circumstances:

1. By recharacterizing a current year regular contribution plus earnings explained in this section; or
2. By recharacterizing a conversion made to a Roth IRA by transferring the amount plus earnings back to a traditional IRA discussed in the next section under the heading "Conversion from a Traditional IRA or an Employer Plan to a Roth IRA".

If you decide by your tax filing deadline (including extensions) of the year for which the contribution was made to transfer a current year contribution plus earnings from your traditional IRA to a Roth IRA, no amount will be included in your gross income as long as you did not take a deduction for the amount of the contribution. You may also recharacterize a current year contribution plus earnings from your Roth IRA to a traditional IRA by your tax filing deadline including extensions of the year for which the contribution was made.

In order to recharacterize a regular contribution from one type of IRA to another type of IRA, you must be eligible to make a regular contribution to the IRA to which the contribution plus earnings is recharacterized. All recharacterizations must be accomplished as a direct transfer, rather than a distribution and subsequent rollover.

You are also required to report recharacterizations to the IRS in accordance with the instructions to IRS Form 8606. Prior year excess contributions made to an IRA that are carried over to a subsequent year cannot be recharacterized as a current year contribution to another IRA. Only actual contributions made for a taxable year may be recharacterized. Any recharacterized contribution (whether a regular contribution or a conversion) cannot be revoked after the transfer. You are required to notify both Custodians (or trustees) and to provide them with certain information in order to properly effectuate such a recharacterization.

## ROLLOVER ROTH IRAs

**Rollover Contribution from Another Roth IRA** - A rollover contribution from another Roth IRA is any amount you receive from one Roth IRA and within 60 days roll some or all of it over into another Roth IRA. You are not required to roll over the entire amount received from the first Roth IRA. However, any taxable amount (generally earnings) you do not roll over will be taxed at ordinary income tax rates for Federal income tax purposes and may be subject to the 10% additional income tax.

The following special rules also apply to rollovers between Roth IRAs:

- The rollover must be completed no later than the 60th day after the day the distribution was received by you from the first Roth IRA. However, if the reason for distribution was for qualified first time home buyer expenses and there has been a delay or cancellation in the acquisition of such first home, the 60 day rollover period is increased to 120 days. This 60 day rollover period is also extended in cases of disaster or casualty beyond the reasonable control of the taxpayer.
- Beginning in 2015, you can make only one rollover from an IRA to another (or the same) IRA in any 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs you own. The limit will apply by aggregating all of an individual's IRAs, including SEP and SIMPLE IRAs as well as traditional and Roth IRAs, effectively treating them as one IRA for purposes of the limit. (See IRS Publication 590-A for more information).
- The same property you receive in a distribution from the first Roth IRA must be the same property you roll over into the second Roth IRA. For example, if you receive a distribution from a Roth IRA of property, such as stocks, that same stock must be the property rolled over into the second Roth IRA.
- You are required to make an irrevocable election indicating that this transaction will be treated as a rollover contribution.
- You are not required to receive a complete distribution from your Roth IRA in order to make a rollover contribution into another Roth IRA, nor are you required to roll over the entire amount you received from the first Roth IRA into the second Roth IRA.
- If you inherit a Roth IRA due to the death of the participant, you may not roll this Roth IRA into your own Roth IRA unless you are the spouse of the deceased Roth IRA participant.

**Rollovers From a Designated Roth Contribution Account Under Employer-Sponsored Plans** – Effective for Eligible Rollover Distributions after December 31, 2005, amounts attributable to the participant's Designated Roth Contribution Account under an employer's §401(k) plan or §403(b) plan are eligible to roll over to a Roth IRA as either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover. After such amounts have been rolled over to a Roth IRA, these amounts cannot be subsequently rolled back to an employer's plan.

**Effect of 5-Year Aging** – If the Roth IRA owner has already started the 5-year aging on any Roth IRA, the rollover of the Designated Roth Contribution Account under the employer's plan has the same 5-year period start date. However, if the Roth IRA owner establishes a Roth IRA for the first time with the rollover of the Designated Roth Contributions Account under the employer's plan, a new 5-year aging period starts with respect to the rollover amount, regardless of the period of participation in the employer's plan.

**Effect on Ordering Rules for Subsequent Distributions from the Roth IRA** – If a Roth IRA owner rolls over his or her Designated Roth Contributions Account under an employer's plan, the Roth IRA owner is responsible for keeping track of the rollover in the following manner for purposes of determining taxable distributions from the Roth IRA:

- If the distribution from the employer's plan is a "nonqualified distribution", the Roth IRA owner adds the basis amount (contributions) to his or her other regular Roth IRA contributions, and adds the earnings to the earnings.
- If the distribution from the employer's plan is a "qualified distribution", the Roth IRA owner adds the entire amount of the rollover to his or her other regular Roth IRA contributions.

**Partial Rollovers** - If a distribution representing the participant's Designated Roth Contribution Account is eligible to roll over and it is paid to the participant, and

the participant rolls over to a Roth IRA only a portion of the distribution, the amount not rolled over is treated as first consisting of the nontaxable portion (the contributions). Thus, the amount rolled over is treated first as the taxable earnings and no amount is taxable to the participant if the amount of the rollover is equal to or greater than the amount of the earnings attributable to the distribution received by the employee. Proper adjustments to the ordering rules explained above are necessary in the case of a partial rollover.

**Special Rollover Rules for Qualified Hurricane Distributions and the Kansas Disaster Area** – Qualified Hurricane and Kansas Disaster Area Distributions withdrawn from a Roth IRA are eligible to be rolled over to a Roth IRA within a 3-year period after the eligible individual received such distribution. More information on Qualified Hurricane Distributions and other tax relief provisions applicable to affected individuals of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita or Wilma is in IRS Publication 4492. Taxpayers using these tax relief provisions must file Form 8915 with his or her Federal income tax return. More information on the Kansas Disaster Area is in IRS Publication 4492-A, including instructions for modifying Form 8915.

**Special Rollover Rules for Midwestern Disaster Area Distributions referred to as “Qualified Disaster Recovery Assistance Distributions”** – Qualified Disaster Recovery Assistance Distributions are eligible to be rolled over to a Roth IRA within a 3-year period after the eligible individual received such distribution. More information on the Midwestern Disaster Area is in IRS Publication 4492-B and Form 8930.

**Special Rules for Qualified Settlement Income Received from Exxon Valdez Litigation** - Any qualified taxpayer who receives qualified settlement income during the taxable year, at any time before the end of the taxable year in which such income was received, make one or more contributions to an eligible retirement plan of which such qualified taxpayer is a beneficiary in an aggregate amount not to exceed the lesser of: (a) \$100,000 (reduced by the amount of qualified settlement income contributed to an eligible retirement plan in prior taxable years); or (b) the amount of qualified settlement income received by the individual during the taxable year.

The contribution will be deemed made on the last day of the taxable year in which such income is received if the contribution is made on account of such taxable year and is made not later than the deadline for filing the income tax return for such year, not including extensions thereof.

If the settlement income is contributed to a Roth IRA such income is currently includible in the taxpayer's gross income and becomes basis in such Roth IRA.

A qualified taxpayer means:

1. Any individual who is a plaintiff in the civil action In re Exxon Valdez, No. 89-095-CV (HRH) (Consolidated) (D. Alaska); or
2. Any individual who is a beneficiary of the estate of such a plaintiff who acquired the right to receive qualified settlement income from that plaintiff and was the spouse or an immediate relative of that plaintiff.

**Special Rollover Rules for Military Death Gratuity and SGLI Payments** – In general the beneficiary of Death Gratuity and the SGLI (Servicemember's Group Life Insurance) may roll these payments into a Roth IRA in the name of the recipient of such payments, without regard to any adjusted gross income limitations. Such Roth IRA will not be an inherited IRA but rather the Roth IRA will be in the beneficiary's own name. Such rule is effective with deaths occurring after June 17, 2008. However, if the payment was made due to a death that occurred after October 7, 2001, and before June 17, 2008, a recipient can still roll such amounts over to a Roth IRA as long as the rollover is completed by June 17, 2009.

The rollover to the Roth IRA must generally be completed within one year following the receipt of the payment. These payments are not taxable to the recipient. The trustee, custodian or issuer of the Roth IRA is not required to independently verify that such amounts are eligible to roll over to the Roth IRA. It is also important to note that recipients these amounts may be a spouse or other family member, and the rollover would go into the Roth IRA as the recipient's own Roth IRA, not an inherited Roth IRA. Whether or not distributions from the Roth IRA are “qualified distributions” where the earnings would be tax-free would depend upon the 5-year aging period and reason for distribution applicable to any Roth IRA distribution that is a “qualified distribution”.

For purposes of the ordering rules applicable to nonqualified distributions from Roth IRAs, these amounts are treated as contributions to the Roth IRA, not as conversions. This means that these amounts may be immediately withdrawn for any purpose and not be taxed or subject to penalty.

**Rollover of Amounts Received in Airline Carrier Bankruptcy** – Effective December 11, 2008, a “qualified airline employee” may contribute any portion of an “airline payment” amount to a Roth IRA within 180 days of receipt of such payment (or, if later, within 180 days of the enactment of the Worker, Retiree and Employer Recovery Act of 2008). Such contribution is treated as a qualified rollover contribution to the Roth IRA, and as such, the airline payment is includible in gross income of the recipient to the extent it would be so includible were it not part of the rollover contribution.

An “airline payment” means any payment by a commercial airline carrier to a “qualified airline employee” that is paid: (1) under an order of a Federal bankruptcy court in a case filed after September 11, 2001, and before January 1, 2007; and (2) in respect of the employee's interest in a bankruptcy claim against the airline carrier.

In determining the amount that may be contributed to a Roth IRA, any reduction in the airline payment on account of employment tax withholding is disregarded. A “qualified airline employee” is an employee or former employee of a commercial passenger airline who was a participant in a qualified defined benefit plan maintained by the airline carrier that was terminated or became subject to the benefit accrual and other restrictions applicable to plans maintained by commercial passenger airlines.

Effective February 14, 2012, under the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (“The Act”) certain qualified airline employees may rollover or recharacterize to a Traditional IRA in lieu of a Roth IRA. The Act permits ‘qualified airline employees’ and their surviving spouses, who received an ‘airline payment amount’, and did *not* roll over any portion of such payment to a Roth IRA:

- To rollover now to a Traditional IRA 90% of the payment received, and the amount rolled over is excludible from income in the taxable year payment was made;
- The rollover must take place within 180 days after the receipt of the ‘airline payment amount’ or within 180 days of February 14, 2012, the date of enactment i.e. August 13, 2012, whichever is later.

Additionally, the Act permits ‘qualified airline employees’ and their surviving spouses who contributed all or a portion of an ‘airline payment amount’ previously to a Roth IRA:

- To recharacterize up to 90% of such amounts, to a traditional IRA;
- The recharacterization transfer must be made within 180 days of February 14, 2012, the date of enactment i.e. August 13, 2012;
- The IRA owner can then claim a refund of the Federal taxes they previously paid on such transferred funds if made under certain time frames;
- The amount rolled over will be excluded from income in the taxable year payment was made;



- The transfer must be 'trustee to trustee';
- The contribution amount (including any net income allocable to it), rolled into the traditional IRA, will be deemed to have been rolled over at the time of the rollover to the ROTH.

The Act does *not* apply to employees who in the taxable year or any preceding years, when payment were made, were chief executive officers ("CEO") or one of the 4 highest compensated officers (other than the CEO), whose total compensation had to be reported to shareholders (as required by Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934).

**Special Rules for Nonspouse Beneficiaries** – For distributions prior to 2007, any distribution from a Designated Roth Contribution Account to a beneficiary other than a surviving spouse was not eligible to be rolled over to a Roth IRA. Beginning in 2007, eligible rollover distributions from a Designated Roth Contribution Account payable to a nonspouse beneficiary are eligible for direct rollover into an Inherited Roth IRA. Such amounts must be paid in the form of a direct rollover, rather than a distribution and subsequent rollover. Thus, if the distribution is paid directly by the plan to the nonspouse beneficiary, no rollover is permitted. Also, the Roth IRA receiving the direct rollover must be an Inherited Roth IRA, rather a Roth IRA owned by the nonspouse beneficiary. The Inherited Roth IRA is subject to the same required minimum distributions that apply to beneficiaries under the employer's plan and carries over to the Inherited Roth IRA. The Roth IRA must be established and titled in a manner that identifies it as a Roth IRA with respect to a deceased individual and also identifies the deceased individual and the beneficiary, for example, "Tom Smith as beneficiary of John Smith".

For these purposes, a nonspouse beneficiary includes an individual beneficiary and a trust beneficiary that meets the special "look through" rules under the IRS regulations. A nonindividual beneficiary (such as an estate or charity) or a non-look through trust is not eligible for direct rollover. Any required minimum distributions applicable to the employer's plan for the year in which the direct rollover occurs and any prior year is not eligible for direct rollover.

**Conversion from a Traditional IRA or an Employer Plan to a Roth IRA** – Prior to 2010, you are permitted to make a qualified rollover contribution from a traditional IRA or an employer plan to a Roth IRA if your Modified AGI (not including the taxable amount converted) for the year during which the distribution is made does not exceed \$100,000 and you are not a married person filing a separate tax return. This is called a "conversion" and may be done at any time without waiting the usual 12 months. After 2009, the conversion eligibility requirements are eliminated. You are also permitted to recharacterize a conversion made to a Roth IRA if the amount plus earnings is transferred back to a traditional IRA before your tax filing deadline including extensions for the year the amount was distributed from the traditional IRA that was converted to the Roth IRA.

**Taxation in Completing a Conversion from a Traditional IRA or an Employer Plan to a Roth IRA** - If you complete a conversion from a traditional IRA or an employer plan to a Roth IRA, the conversion amount (to the extent taxable) is generally included in your gross income for the year during which the distribution is made that is converted to a Roth IRA. However, the 10% additional income tax for premature distributions does not apply. For taxable conversions made during 1998, you may include the taxable amount of the traditional IRA distribution in income "ratably" over a four-tax-year period beginning in 1998, or include the entire taxable amount of the traditional IRA distribution in income the year of the conversion. Any taxable conversions from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA after 1998 will be fully includible in income the year in which you receive the distribution that is converted to a Roth IRA. If a taxpayer converts an eligible plan to a Roth IRA in 2010, the entire taxable amount of the conversion can be either: (a) included in gross income for the year of the conversion or (b) included in gross income by including only 1/2 of the taxable amount the year following the conversion and the remaining 1/2 of the taxable amount the next year.

**Reconversions** - Once an amount has been properly converted and then is recharacterized back to a traditional IRA, any subsequent conversion of that amount is called a "reconversion". Effective January 1, 2000, an IRA owner who converts an amount from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA during any taxable year and then recharacterizes that amount back to a traditional IRA may not reconvert that amount from the traditional IRA to a Roth IRA before the later of: (a) the taxable year following the taxable year in which the amount was first converted to a Roth IRA; or, (b) the end of the 30-day period beginning on the day on which the IRA owner recharacterizes the amount from the Roth IRA back to a traditional IRA. Any amount previously converted is adjusted for subsequent net income in determining the amount subject to the limitation on subsequent reconversions. Since adverse tax consequences could arise, it is recommended that you seek the advice of your own tax advisor.

**Death of Taxpayer** - With respect to 1998 conversions to which the 4-year income spread applied, if the taxpayer dies before including the taxable amounts in income over a 4-year period, all remaining taxable amounts will be included in gross income on the return filed on behalf of the decedent for the taxable year of death. However, if the surviving spouse of such deceased Roth IRA participant is the sole beneficiary of all of the decedent's Roth IRAs, the surviving spouse may elect to continue including the remaining amount in income over the 4-year period as if the surviving spouse were the Roth IRA owner. Conversions in 2010 that are subject to the 2-year income spread are treated in this same manner.

**Income Acceleration** - If a distribution is deemed from a 1998 conversion amount and the taxpayer is spreading the distribution over four years, a special rule applies. If such distribution occurs before all taxable conversion amounts have been included in gross income, such distribution is accelerated in income for that year in addition to that year's one-fourth amount until the original taxable conversion amount has been includible in gross income. These same rules apply to 2010 conversions subject to the 2-year income spread.

**Change in Status** - A change in filing status or a divorce does not affect the application of the 4-year spread for 1998 conversions. Thus, if a married Roth IRA participant who is using the 4-year spread and who was married in 1998 subsequently files separately or divorces before the full taxable conversion has been included in gross income, the remainder of the taxable conversion must be included in the owner's gross income over the remaining years in the 4-year period, unless accelerated due to a distribution or death. These same rules apply to 2010 conversions subject to the 2-year income spread.

**Substantially Equal Payments** - If a taxpayer converts a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA where the traditional IRA was subject to the substantially equal periodic payment exception, the same periodic payments must continue from the Roth IRA. However, for 1998 conversions where the taxpayer is using the 4-year spread rule, the payments from the Roth IRA will be subject to the income acceleration rule. Thus, in addition to the normal 1/4th amount, the substantially equal amount is also includible in the participant's gross income for each year until the full taxable conversion has been so included. This rule also applies to 2010 conversions subject to the 2-year income spread.

**Types of Plans Permitted to be Converted** - Traditional regular IRAs, Rollover "conduit" IRAs, and SEP IRAs may be converted to a Roth IRA, so long as the taxpayer meets the eligibility requirements until 2010 when the conversion eligibility rules are eliminated. A SIMPLE IRA may also be converted to a Roth IRA, but only after such SIMPLE IRA is no longer subject to the 2-year holding period applicable to SIMPLE IRAs. Also, qualified plans §403(b) plans and governmental §457(b) plans may be converted to a Roth IRA.

**Required Minimum Distributions** - Any required minimum amount must first be distributed before any of the remaining amount can be converted to the Roth IRA.

## DISTRIBUTIONS FROM A ROTH IRA

## Taxation of Distributions

"Qualified distributions" are neither subject to Federal income tax nor the 10% additional income tax for premature distributions. Nonqualified distributions are taxable to the extent such distribution is attributable to the income earned in the account. When you start withdrawing from your Roth IRA, you may take the distributions in regular payments, random withdrawals or in a single sum payment.

**Qualified Distributions** - A Qualified Distribution is one that is both made:

1. on or after you attain age 59½;
2. to a beneficiary after your death;
3. on account of you becoming disabled (defined under Section 72(m)(7) IRC); or
4. for qualified first time homebuyer expenses.

**AND** made after the end of the five year period beginning with the taxable year for which you first make any contribution to a Roth IRA.

If your first contribution is a conversion from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA, the five year period begins with the year in which the conversion was made from the traditional IRA. If your first contribution is a regular contribution, the five year period begins with the year for which the contribution was made. You may maintain only one Roth IRA plan which accepts regular contributions and conversions. Additional contributions or conversions in subsequent years will not start the running of another five year period for purposes of determining whether or not you have received a "Qualified Distribution". If the entire Roth IRA account balance is distributed before any other Roth IRA contributions are made, the 5-year aging period does not start over when future contributions are made.

However, if any of the following situations occur, the 5-year aging period has not yet started:

- a. the initial Roth IRA contribution is revoked within its first 7-day period;
- b. the initial Roth IRA contribution is recharacterized to a traditional IRA; or
- c. an excess contribution, plus earnings, is timely distributed in accordance with section 408(d)(4), by the tax filing deadline including extensions, unless other eligible contributions were made.

**Nonqualified Distributions** - Distributions from a Roth IRA which are made as a nonqualified distribution are treated as made from contributions to the Roth IRA to the extent that such distribution, when added to all previous distributions from the Roth IRA (whether or not they were qualified distributions), and reduced by the taxable amount of such previous distributions, does not exceed the aggregate amount of contributions to the Roth IRA.

In other words, nonqualified distributions are treated as taken from the nontaxable portion first (the contributions) until the aggregate distributions exceed the aggregate contributions. When the aggregate distributions exceed the aggregate contributions, then the earnings will be treated as part of the distribution for taxation purposes. The portion of the nonqualified distribution that represents earnings will be taxable and subject to the 10% additional income tax for premature distributions, unless an exception applies. You are responsible for keeping records on the contributions you make to your Roth IRA and for figuring any taxable, nonqualified distributions from your Roth IRA.

**Distributions Made Before the End of the Five Year Period** - Distributions taken before the end of the five year period are taxable (to the extent you receive the earnings attributable) and are subject to the 10% additional income tax if the participant is not age 59½. However, the 10% additional income tax is avoided if the distribution meets any one of the exceptions under Section 72(t).

**Recapture of the 10% Additional Tax** - The 10% additional tax on early distributions will apply to conversions if the taxpayer is deemed to withdraw any portion of the taxable conversion amount before the end of the five year period commencing the year of conversion contribution, unless an exception under Section 72(t) applies. This is true even if none of the distribution is otherwise taxable.

**Basis Recovery Rules for Distributions from Different IRA Plans** - The taxation of distributions from a Roth IRA shall be treated separately from the taxation of a distribution from other IRA plans. In other words, nondeductible contributions made to your traditional IRA will continue to be recovered tax-free on a ratable basis.

**Ordering Rules - Distributions** from any of your Roth IRAs are to be "deemed" withdrawn in the following order: first from Roth IRA contributions (other than conversions); second from converted amounts on a first-in, first-out basis (with the taxable conversion amount first and then the nontaxable conversion amount); and last from the earnings. In determining these ordering rules, any amount distributed from an individual's Roth IRA is determined as of the end of a taxable year and exhausting each category before moving to the next category. The taxpayer will be required to keep track of these ordering provisions by using IRS Form 8606.

**Multiple Beneficiaries** - At the Roth IRA owner's death and where multiple beneficiaries are named, each type of contribution must be allocated to each beneficiary on a pro-rata basis. Thus, for example, if a Roth IRA owner dies when the Roth IRA contains a regular contribution of \$2,000, a conversion contribution of \$6,000 and earnings of \$1,000, and the owner leaves his Roth IRA equally to four children, each child will receive one quarter of each type of contribution. Pursuant to the ordering rules, an immediate distribution of \$2,000 to one of the children will be deemed to consist of \$500 of regular contributions, and \$1,500 of conversion contributions.

For purposes of the ordering rules upon distribution, a beneficiary's inherited Roth IRAs may not be aggregated with any other Roth IRAs maintained by such beneficiary, except for other Roth IRAs that the beneficiary inherited from the same decedent. However, if the surviving spouse is the sole beneficiary of a Roth IRA and such surviving spouse elects to treat the Roth IRA as his or her own Roth IRA, the spouse can aggregate contributions with his or her other Roth IRAs for purposes of determining the ordering rules when distributions are taken. The term "spouse as sole beneficiary" means either the only primary beneficiary of the entire plan, or the only primary beneficiary of a segregated portion of the plan.

**Premature Distributions** - If you are under age 59½ and receive a "nonqualified" distribution from your Roth IRA, a 10% additional income tax will apply to the taxable portion (generally the earnings portion) of the distribution unless the distribution is received due to death; disability; a qualifying rollover distribution; the timely withdrawal of the principal amount of an excess; substantially equal periodic payments; certain medical expenses; health insurance premiums paid by certain unemployed individuals; qualified higher education expenses; qualified first time homebuyer expenses; due to an IRS levy; qualified hurricane distributions received prior to January 1, 2007; qualified disaster recovery assistance distributions; or qualified reservist distributions.

**Required Distributions** - Unlike a traditional IRA, you are not required to begin distributions when you attain age 70½. Also, the incidental death benefit requirements (referred to as MDIB) do not apply to the Roth IRA.

**Death Distributions** - If you die and you have a designated beneficiary, the balance in your Roth IRA will be distributed to your beneficiary over the beneficiary's single life expectancy. These distributions must commence no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year following the calendar year of your death. However, if your spouse is your sole beneficiary, these distributions are not required to commence until the December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year you would have attained the age of 70½, if that date is later than the required commencement date in the previous sentence. If you die and you do not have a designated beneficiary, the balance in

your Roth IRA must be distributed no later than the December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year that contains the fifth anniversary of your death.

#### PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS WITH A ROTH IRA

If you or your beneficiary engage in a prohibited transaction (as defined under Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code) with your Roth IRA, it will lose its tax exemption and you must include the taxable portion of your account in your gross income for that taxable year and may also be subject to the 10% additional tax. If you pledge any portion of your Roth IRA as collateral for a loan, the amount so pledged will be treated as a distribution and the taxable portion will be included in your gross income for that year and may also be subject to the 10% additional tax.

#### ADDITIONAL TAXES AND PENALTIES

If you are under age 59½ and receive a nonqualified premature distribution from your Roth IRA, an additional 10% income tax will apply on the taxable amount of the distribution (generally the earnings portion only), unless an exception under Section 72(t) applies. A 10% additional tax will be assessed if you are under age 59½ if you are deemed to withdraw any portion of a conversion that you made to your Roth IRA before five years have lapsed from the conversion year, even if such distribution is otherwise nontaxable. If you make an excess contribution to your Roth IRA and it is not corrected on a timely basis, an excise tax of 6% is imposed on the excess amount. This tax will apply each year to any part or all of the excess which remains in your account.

If you should die, and the appropriate required death distributions are not made from your Roth IRA, an excise tax of 50% is assessed to your beneficiary based upon the difference between the amount that should have been distributed and the amount that was actually distributed. You may be required to file IRS Form 5329 with the Internal Revenue Service for any year an additional tax is due.

#### INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING

All withdrawals from your Roth IRA (except the earnings attributable to a return of excess contributions) are not subject to Federal income tax withholding.

#### TRANSFERS

A direct transfer of all or a portion of your funds is permitted from this Roth IRA to another Roth IRA or visa versa. Transfers do not constitute a distribution since you are never in receipt of the funds. The monies are transferred directly to the new trustee or custodian. Transfers are neither subject to the 12-month restriction nor the 60 day rollover period usually associated with rollovers.

If you should transfer all or a portion of your Roth IRA to your former spouse's Roth IRA under a divorce decree (or under a written instrument incident to divorce) or separation instrument, you will not be deemed to have made a taxable distribution, but merely a transfer. The portion so transferred will be treated at the time of the transfer as the Roth IRA of your spouse or former spouse.

If your spouse is the beneficiary of your Roth IRA, in the event of your death, your spouse may "assume" your Roth IRA. The assumed Roth IRA is then treated as your surviving spouse's Roth IRA.

**Qualified Charitable Distributions** - If a Roth IRA owner is exactly age 70½ or over, the Roth IRA owner may direct the Roth IRA trustee or custodian to transfer up to \$100,000 per year from the Roth IRA to a qualified charity. Such transfer will not be subject to Federal income taxes. Qualified Charitable Distributions may also be made by a beneficiary who is exactly age 70½ or over. Qualified Charitable Distributions are not subject to Federal income tax withholding. Ongoing SEP IRAs or SIMPLE IRAs are not permitted to be transferred under this rule.

The amount transferred will be treated as coming from the taxable portion of Roth IRA and will be an exception to the ordering rules applicable to distributions from Roth IRAs. The tax-free transfer to a qualified charity applies only if the Roth IRA owner could otherwise receive a charitable deduction with respect to the transferred amount. In other words, it must be made to a qualified charitable organization that the taxpayer would have otherwise been able to take a tax deduction for making the charitable contribution. However, since such transfer will be tax-free, the taxpayer may not also take a charitable deduction on his or her tax return.

This provision is effective with respect to distributions transferred directly to a qualified charity beginning in 2006 through the end of 2009. The Tax Relief, Unemployment Compensation Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010 extended Qualified Charitable Distributions for 2010 and 2011 under the same rules that originally applied. Eligible taxpayers who make a Qualified Charitable Distribution during January 2011 may elect to treat such Qualified Charitable Distribution as made on December 31, 2010. On January 2, 2013, the President signed the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 ("ATRA") which extended QCDs through the end of 2013 and on December 16, 2014, the President signed the Tax Increase Prevention Act of 2014 to extend QCDs through the end of 2014 only. Although the Roth IRA trustee or custodian must pay the Qualified Charitable Distribution directly to the qualified charity, the taxpayer is responsible for substantiating and reporting the Qualified Charitable Distribution on his or her Federal income tax return. The Trustee or Custodian of the IRA will report the amount transferred on IRS Form 1099-R as if the IRA owner withdrew the money. After the IRA trustee or custodian issues the payment in the name of the charity, the trustee or custodian may deliver the payment to the IRA owner, who then would deliver the payment to the charity.

**Qualified HSA Funding Distribution** - Beginning for contributions made for 2007 and thereafter, a special one-time, tax-free transfer from a Roth IRA to an HSA is permitted. This one-time transfer counts toward the eligible individual's HSA contribution limit for the year of the transfer.

Prior to 2007, if a Roth IRA owner wanted to use the money in a Roth IRA to make an annual HSA contribution, any nonqualified distribution from the Roth IRA was taxable (to the extent attributable to the earnings) and subject to the 10% additional tax if the individual was under the age of 59½. Prior law did not provide for a tax-free transfer from a Roth IRA to an HSA.

Beginning for annual HSA contributions made for 2007 or thereafter, an HSA-eligible individual may make an irrevocable once-in-a-lifetime, tax-free "qualified HSA Funding distribution" from a Roth IRA to an HSA, subject however to strict requirements. The amount of the HSA funding distribution must be made in the form of a Custodian-to-Custodian transfer from the IRA to the HSA. The amount of the transfer cannot exceed the maximum HSA contribution limit for the year that the amount is transferred. Consequently, this one-time transfer from a Roth IRA to an HSA counts toward the individual's total HSA contribution limit for the year depending upon the type of coverage under the HDHP (self-only or family).

#### FEDERAL ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES

Generally there is no specific exclusion for Roth IRAs under the Federal estate tax rules. Therefore, in the event of your death, the value of your Roth IRA will be includible in your gross estate for Federal estate tax purposes. However, if your surviving spouse is the beneficiary of your Roth IRA, the value of your Roth IRA may qualify for the marital deduction available under Section 2056 of the Internal Revenue Code. A transfer of property for Federal gift tax purposes does not include an

amount which a beneficiary receives from a Roth IRA plan.

<b>IRS APPROVAL AS TO FORM</b>
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This Roth IRA Custodial Agreement has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as to form. This is not an endorsement of the plan in operation or of the investments offered.

<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>
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You may obtain further information on Roth IRAs and traditional IRAs from your District Office of the Internal Revenue Service. In particular, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590 (Individual Retirement Arrangements).

<b>ROTH IRA FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE</b>
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**In General**

IRS regulations require the Custodian to provide you with a financial projected growth of your Roth IRA account based upon certain assumptions.

**Growth in the Value of Your Roth IRA**

Growth in the value of your Roth IRA is neither guaranteed nor projected. The value of your Roth IRA will be computed by totaling the fair market value of the assets credited to your account. At least once a year the Custodian will send you a written report stating the current value of your Roth IRA assets. The Custodian shall disclose separately a description of:

- (a) the type and amount of each charge;
- (b) the method of computing and allocating earnings, and
- (c) any portion of the contribution, if any, which may be used for the purchase of life insurance.

**Custodian/Administrator Fees**

The Custodian or Administrator may charge reasonable fees or compensation for its services and it may deduct all reasonable expenses incurred by it in the administration of your Roth IRA, including any legal, accounting, distribution, transfer, termination or other designated fees. Any charges made by the Custodian or the Administrator will be separately disclosed in the Administrator's Fee Disclosure attached hereto. Such fees may be charged to you or directly to your custodial account. In addition, depending on your choice of investment vehicles, you may incur brokerage commissions attributable to the purchase or sale of assets.