

Statutory Directed Trust (New Statute)

For a portion of your Trust, you may desire a separate trust, distinct from your main testimonial trust for end-of-life beneficiaries. These separate trusts, called "Directed Trusts" are for continuing activities you would like to put into play now before your passing or upon your passing — such as management of a business, disabled child's trust, specific assets, specific investments, for which you want a separate trustee or trust protector.

A Statutory Trust entitlement was enacted by the California Legislature and is now effective as Probate Codes, Sections 16600-16632. This sets forth the general terms of a Directed Trust – if you adopt these provisions in writing into your trust!

This statutory setup can be easy (general setup by which these Directed Trusts are governed). Your specific directives must be set forth in the trust – your directives on operating a business, selling it, converting it, etc. must be set forth in your own terms; the statute sets for the general terms.

This is a new statute and is intended to simplify the way trusts are drawn so that all the various standard provisions of a special directed trust do not need to be restated in a "100 page" trust document.

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