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Foreign Trusts – how can they help
wealthy Filipino families

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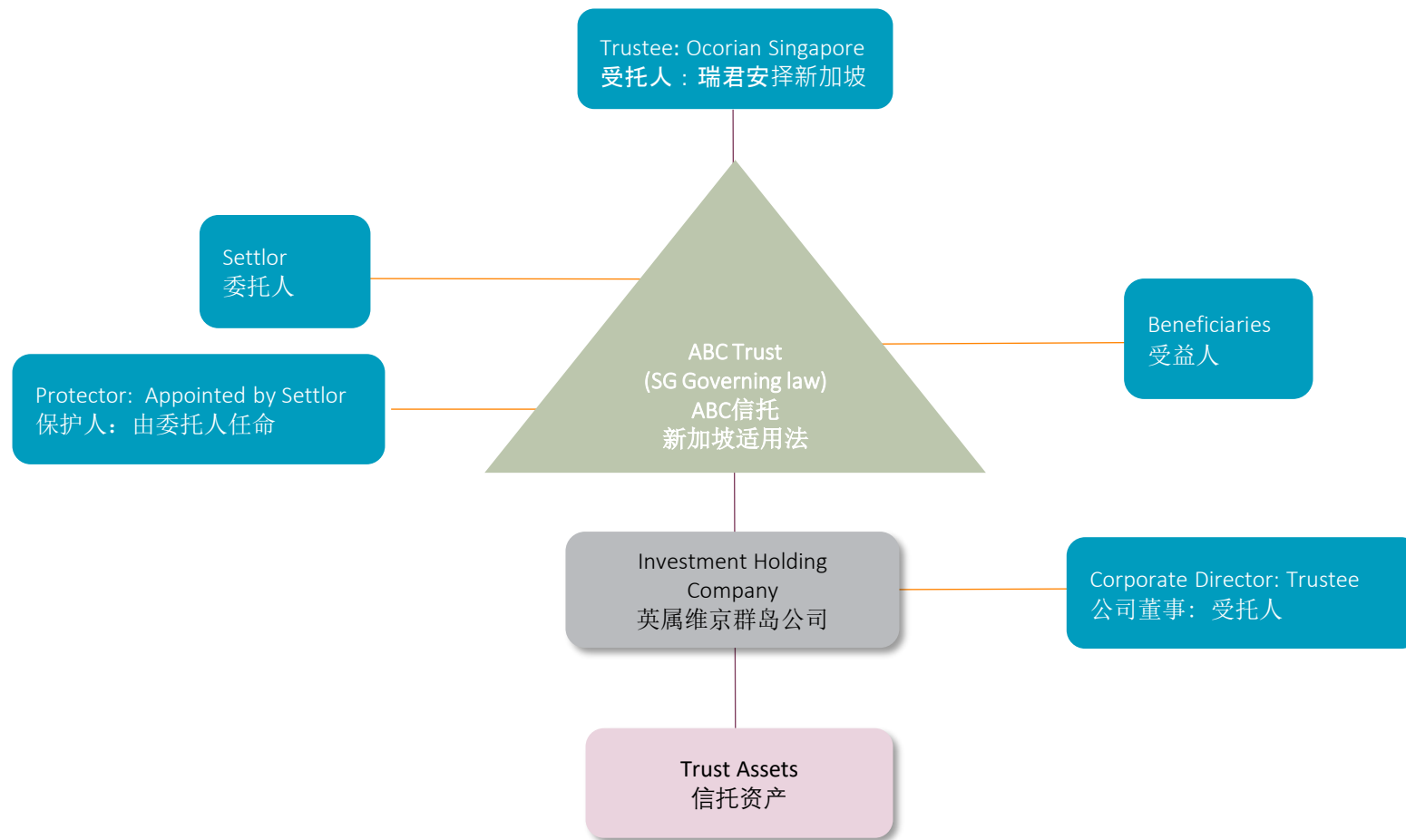


What is a Trust?

- A legal arrangement where a trustee holds and manages assets on behalf of beneficiaries according to the terms set out in the trust document.
 - It allows for the transfer of assets to beneficiaries while providing control over how and when those assets are distributed.
 - Trusts can help minimize taxes, avoid probate, maintain privacy, and provide for specific needs of beneficiaries.
 - Trust structures commonly used in estate planning include revocable trusts, irrevocable trusts, and discretionary trusts.
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A Typical Trust Structure


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How Foreign Trusts Can Help Wealthy Filipino Families

Useful estate planning tool for Filipino families looking to manage and protect their assets internationally.

Potential benefits and considerations of using foreign trusts for Filipino families:

- 1. Asset Protection** - can help protect the assets of Filipino families from creditors, lawsuits, and other claims.
 - 2. Estate Planning** – can help avoid probate and inheritance issues that may arise
 - 3. Confidentiality** - can offer a level of privacy and confidentiality for Filipino families. Details of a foreign trust and its beneficiaries may not be publicly disclosed.
 - 4. Diversification** - allows Filipino families to diversify their assets across different jurisdictions, currencies, and investment opportunities. This can help mitigate risks associated with local economic and political conditions.
 - 5. Tax Benefits** - Depending on the jurisdiction of the foreign trust, there may be potential tax benefits for Filipino families.
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How Foreign Trusts Can Help Wealthy Filipino Families

Potential challenges and considerations:


- 1. Legal and Regulatory Compliance** - Need to comply with the laws and regulations of the jurisdiction where the trust is established. Hence, need legal advice to ensure compliance with both Philippine and foreign laws.
- 2. Costs and Fees** – Need to consider the benefits vs cost.

How will Singapore Trusts Benefit Wealthy Filipino Families

Wealthy Filipino families can benefit significantly from utilizing a Singapore trust for wealth management and estate planning due to the following advantages:

- 1. Testamentary Freedom** – Singapore trust can be used to gift and provide benefits to whoever they wish, without application of Philippines forced heirship rules
- 2. Flexibility** - Client can retain power to manage financial investments.
- 3. International Planning** – Singapore is a renowned international financial hub with a reputation for strong legal frameworks and regulatory standards.
- 4. Confidentiality** - Singapore's trust laws prioritize confidentiality and privacy, allowing wealthy Filipino families to maintain discretion over their financial affairs and asset ownership.
- 5. Asset Protection** - Singapore trust provides a robust mechanism to protect assets from creditors, legal claims, and potential disputes, can shield their wealth from unforeseen risks and ensure its preservation for future generations.

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- 6. Tax Efficiency** - Favorable tax incentives for Singapore trusts, including exemptions for certain types of income and capital gains.
 - 7. Regulatory Stability** - Well-established legal system, and transparent regulatory environment.
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Any questions – please contact me for a further discussion

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