## Register in Probate

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Date:

November 4, 2014

To:

Trustees of Trusts previously monitored by Monroe County Probate Court

From:

Diane Berendes

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Re:

2013 Wisconsin Act 92

Legislation regarding Uniform Trust Code, Uniform Principal and Income Act, Powers of Appointment, and Changes to Estate Recovery and Divestment

2013 Wisconsin Act 92 took effect in two parts. The estate recovery and divestment changes in 2013 Wisconsin Act 92 became effective on December 15, 2013. The balance of 2013 Wisconsin Act 92 took effect on July 1, 2014. You can find 2013 Wisconsin Act 92 by using the following link:

http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2013/related/acts/92.pdf

I would like to make you aware that in 2013 Wisconsin Act 92, under 701.0201(2):

... "Unless ordered by the court upon a petition of a settlor, trustee, or qualified beneficiary requesting continuing judicial supervision, a trust is not subject to continuing judicial supervision."...

Therefore, in the absence of a petition to the Court as referenced above, you, as Trustee, will no longer be mailed a *Trustee's Account* form to be filed with the Probate Office by April 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. *Trustee's Accounts* will not be supervised by the Court unless ordered after the filing of a petition.

As Trustee, it is your responsibility to notify the Trust Beneficiaries of this change in the law. The Court requires you to provide the enclosed *Notice to Trust Beneficiaries* to all beneficiaries of the Trust, and to file the enclosed *Affidavit of Mailing* with the Court prior to December 15, 2014, indicating that you have met this responsibility. If you or the Trust Beneficiaries have questions or concerns regarding the effect Wisconsin Act 92 has on Trustees, Settlors and/or Trust Beneficiaries, parties are encouraged to seek legal advice.