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Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 10:39 PM
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Subject: Re: Sales Tax

no reason to retain them, that i can find, leon you =nd i need a discussion.

On Fri, Sep 20, 2013 at 6:34 PM, Alan S Halperin <pan dir="ltr"><mailto: > wrote:

Ahhh.... Thanks. While Deloitte has the experience and judgment, I don't think they had anything to add on the specific substantive issues (beyond what we knew). The insurance analogy, while thoughtful, turned out not to work. The suggestion that the grantor continues to own the interest was rejected by others and, in my view, raises the specter of estate tax inclusion. Will you be retaining Deloitte? Given Amanda's commitment to give you the ruling, and given the lack of favorable authority, I think Ada's version is quite good.

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should we have deloitte put together their arguments , as =pposed to adas no consideration . theirs was more regarding tranferi=g his right pocket to his left. my concern was that if the trust ass=ts were always in some sense his, do we need to worry about 2036,

On Fri, Sep 20, 2013 at 6:04 PM, Alan S Halperin <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Jeffrey, I have become quite good at interpreting your emails. But this last one has stumped me. I do not have any idea what you mean by: "what about the argument, do we deloitte to try. what about 2036 vs still his?" Kindly spend three minutes and spell out your thoughts when you have a moment. Thanks. Alan

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On Fri, Sep 20, 2013 at 5:45 PM, Alan S Halperin <[REDACTED]>
<mailto:[REDACTED]> wrote:

I thought Ada's first draft was very good. It reflected my input. I told her to remove the reference to defective grantor trust. Also, as noted on the call, the trust should be the taxpayer requesting the opinion. I assume that you continue to believe that your other client should be the applicant. Correct?

Is my freeze partnership gaining any traction with you.

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Please have them draft something you could live with . Leon will decide whether to file

On Friday, September 20, 2013, Alan S Halperin wrote:

Hi Jeffrey. I thought our call with Deloitte was quite productive. Please note that, as described below, the insurance analogy is not helpful. The reason is that there is a specific rule with insurance. The fact that there is an express carve-out for insurance, but not in the substitution scenario, suggests that we should not use the former as analogy to support the latter.

Tax Regs. Sec. 526.7(a)(5) provides the following, along with two examples: /font>

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