Choosing the Correct Jurisdiction: An Objective Comparison

	South Dakota	Nevada	Wyoming	Alaska	Delaware
Dynasty Trusts	Yes Ranked as #I ^[1]	Yes Ranked as #2 ^[1] State constitution prohibits modification to RAP ^[2]	Yes Ranked as #5 [1] State constitution prohibits modification to RAP [2]	Yes Ranked as #4 ^[1]	Yes Ranked as #7 ^[1]
State Income Taxation	No	No	No	No Future uncertain	No Only for non-residents
Community Property Trusts	Yes [3]	No	No	Yes Future uncertain	No
Domestic Asset Protection Statute	Yes ^[4] 2 year statute of limitations Exception for child support	Yes [4] 2 year statute of limitations No exceptions for child and spousal support	Yes [4] 4 year statute of limitations Exception for child support	Yes ^[4] 4 year statute of limitations Exception for divorcing spouse	Yes [4] 4 year statute of limitations Exceptions for child and spousal support
Trust Protector	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Directed Trusts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Decanting Statute	Yes Ranked as #1 ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #2 ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #14 ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #9 ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #3 ^[5]
Trust Privacy Provision	Yes - Total Privacy Seal Forever Automatically attaches	No Total Privacy Seal [2] Subject to judge discretion	No Total Privacy Seal [2] Subject to judge discretion	No Total Privacy Seal [2] Subject to judge discretion	Yes - Three Year Privacy Seal [2] Subject to judge discretion
Special Purpose Entity	Yes ^[2] Codified by statute	No	No	No	No
Family Advisor	Yes	No	No	No	No
State Fiscal Health	Ranked as #1 [6]	Ranked as #29 [6]	Ranked as #48 [6]	Ranked as #50 [6]	Ranked as #38 [6]

* Denotes superior distinction among jurisdictions.



[1] Attorney Steve Oshins' "9th Annual Dynasty Trust State Rankings Chart"

[2] Worthington, Daniel G.; Merric, Mark; Sullivan, John E.; and Thomas, Ryan "Which Situs is Best in 2020?" Trusts & Estates January 2020
[3] South Dakota Special Spousal Trusts, House Bill 1039 (2016) (Sections 29-42)

[4] Attorney Steve Oshins' "11th Annual Domestic Asset Protection Trust State Rankings Chart"

[5] Attorney Steve Oshins' "8th Annual Trust Decanting State Rankings Chart"

[6] Murphy, Mary; Iyengar, Akshay; and Zhang, Alexandria "Tax Revenue Volatility Varies Across States, Revenue Streams" PEW August 2018