Choosing the Correct Jurisdiction: An Objective Comparison

	South Dakota	Nevada	Wyoming	Alaska	Delaware
Dynasty Trusts	Yes Ranked as #1 ^[1]	Yes <i>Ranked as #2</i> ^[1]	Yes Ranked as #5 ^[1]	Yes Ranked as #4 ^[1]	Yes Ranked as #8 ^[1]
		State constitution prohibits modification to RAP ^[2]	State constitution prohibits modification to RAP ^[2]		
State Income Taxation	No	No	No	No Future uncertain	No Only for non-residents
Community Property Trusts	Yes ^[3]	Yes Only for residents	No	Yes Future uncertain	No
Domestic Asset Protection Statute	Yes ^[4] 2 year statute of limitations	Yes ^[4] 2 year statute of limitations	Yes ^[4] 4 year statute of limitations	Yes ^[4] 4 year statute of limitations	Yes ^[4] 4 year statute of limitations
	Exception for child support	No exceptions for child and spousal support	Exception for child support	Exception for divorcing spouse	Exceptions for child and spousal support
					<i>Future as top tier trust jurisdiction uncertain</i> ^[6]
Trust Protector	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Directed Trusts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Decanting Statute	Yes Ranked as #1 ^[5]	Yes <i>Ranked as #2</i> ^[5]	Yes <i>Ranked as #13</i> ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #8 ^[5]	Yes Ranked as #4 ^[5]
Trust Privacy Provision	Yes - Total Privacy Seal Forever Automatically attaches "Of the top tier trust jurisdictions, South Dakota has the best trust privacy laws." ^[2]	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

* Denotes superior distinction among jurisdictions.

^[1] Attorney Steve Oshins' "7th Annual Dynasty Trust State Rankings Chart"

^[2] Merric, Mark & Worthington, Daniel G. "Which Situs is Best in 2018?" Trusts & Estates January 2018

^[3] South Dakota Special Spousal Trusts, House Bill 1039 (2016) (Sections 29-42)

^[4] Attorney Steve Oshins' "10th Annual Domestic Asset Protection Trust State Rankings Chart"

^[5] Attorney Steve Oshins' "6th Annual Trust Decanting State Rankings Chart"

^[6] Merric, Mark, Worthington, Daniel G., MacArthur, Paul & Sullivan, John E. "Best Situs for DAPTs in 2019" Trusts & Estates December 2018

