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# Very What You'll Learn

Reasons to Sell (and Not to Sell)

**Advisor Opportunities** 

**Analyze Potential Solutions** 

Select and Implement a Solution



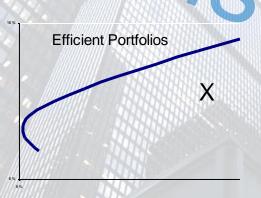
# Reasons to Sell

\$ Financial



**Personal** 

- Lock in gains
- Reduce risk profile
- Poor performance
- Changing market



- Reduce management hassle
- Concession to aging
- Work less hard
- Not leave it for the kids to clean up

Many valid reasons to sell, even when property is performing well



# Reasons to Hold



#### **Financial**

- Portfolio already risk optimized
- Hope for better property performance
- Hope for better market
- TAXES
- Myths



#### **Personal**

- Enjoy the process
- •Kids coming into the business
- •Inertia
- Don't want to make a decision

Many poor reasons to hold, fewer good reasons

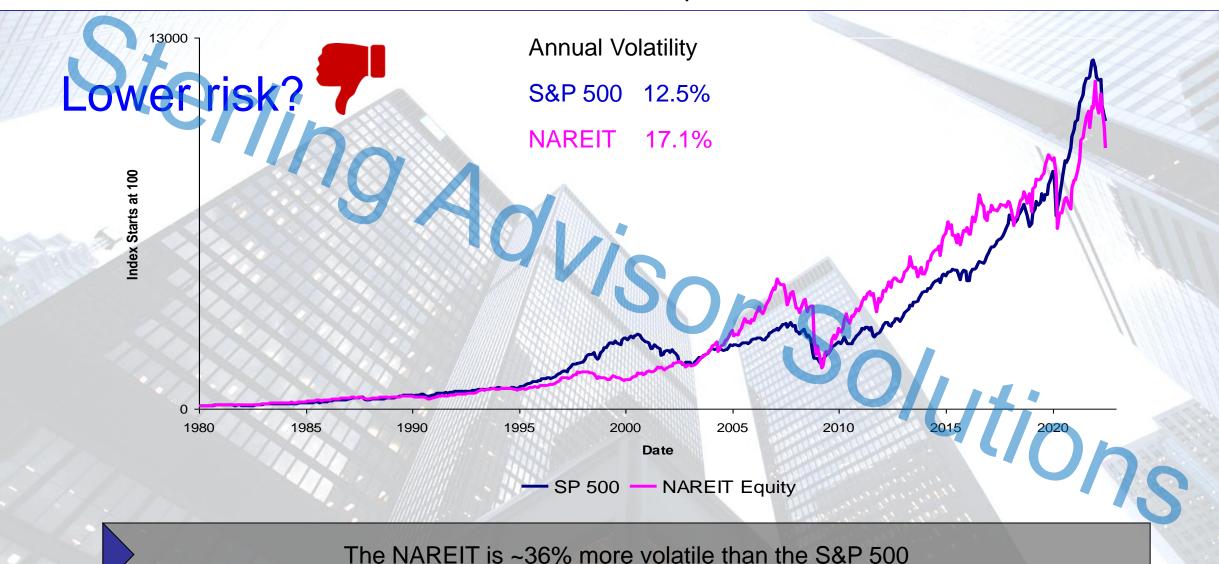


# Mythical(?) Reasons to Hold

- Lower risk
- Inflation hedge
- Real estate always goes up

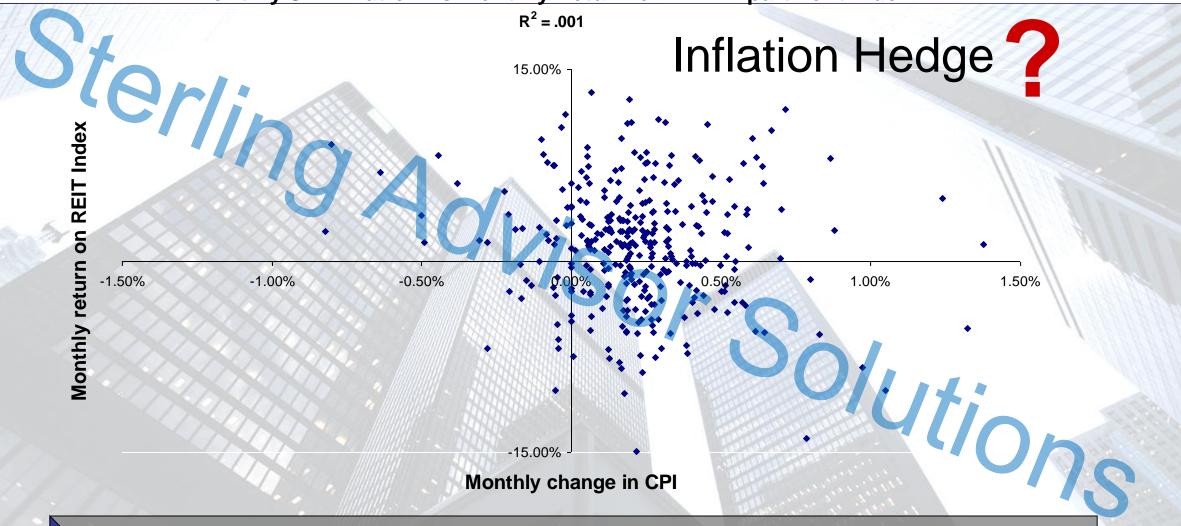
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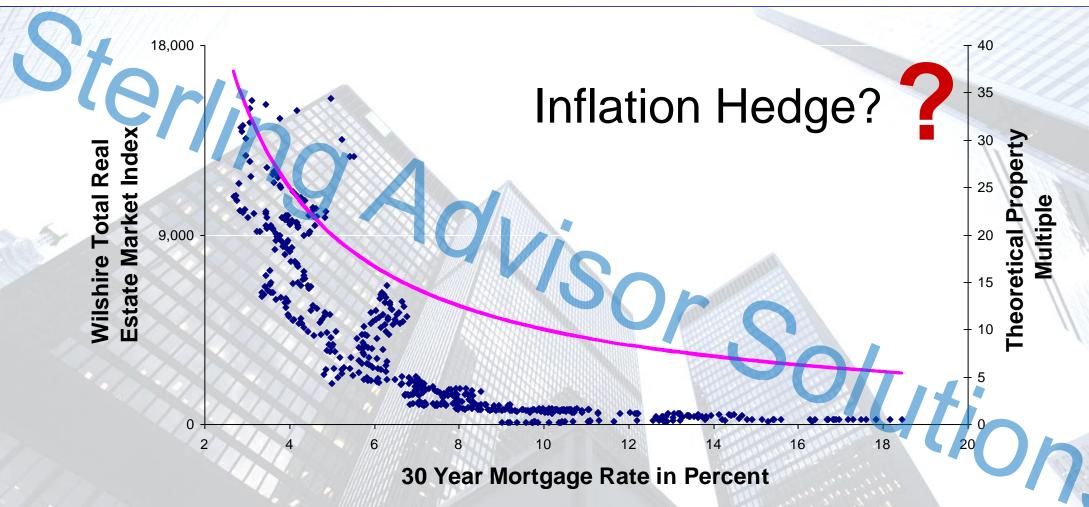


Monthly CPI Inflation vs Monthly Return on REIT Apartment Index



Last 30 years show no correlation between inflation and REIT returns

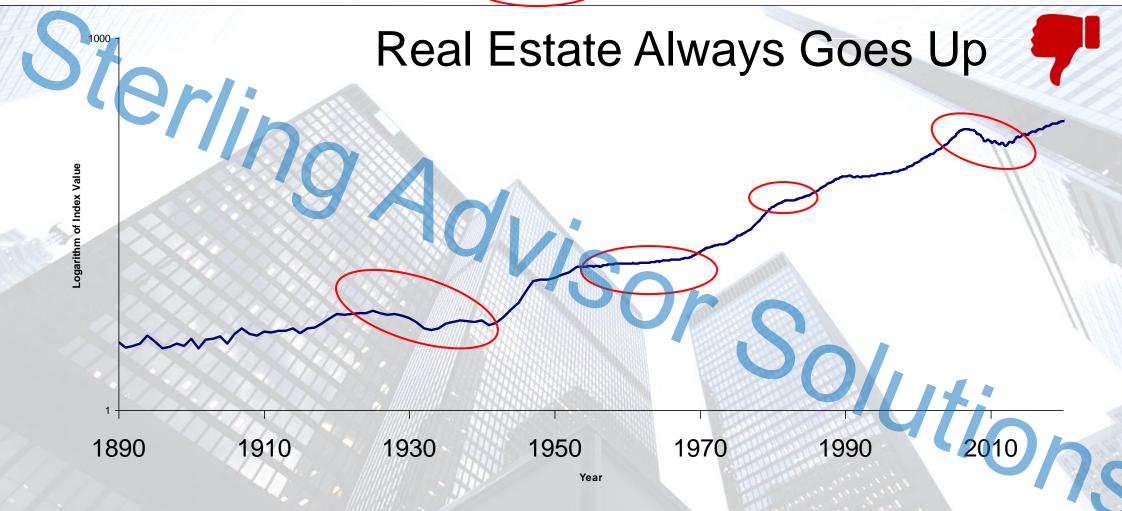




Real Estate is MUCH more sensitive to interest rates than to inflation



### Case-Shiller Nominal Home Price Index



Lots of periods when real estate has not gone up, or has gone down

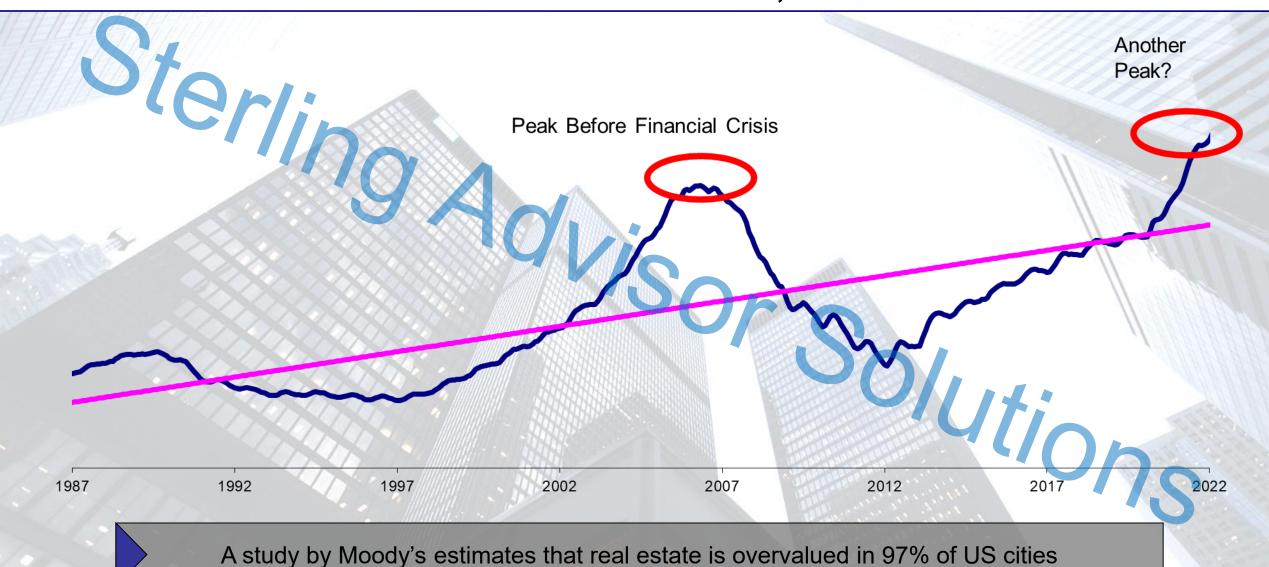




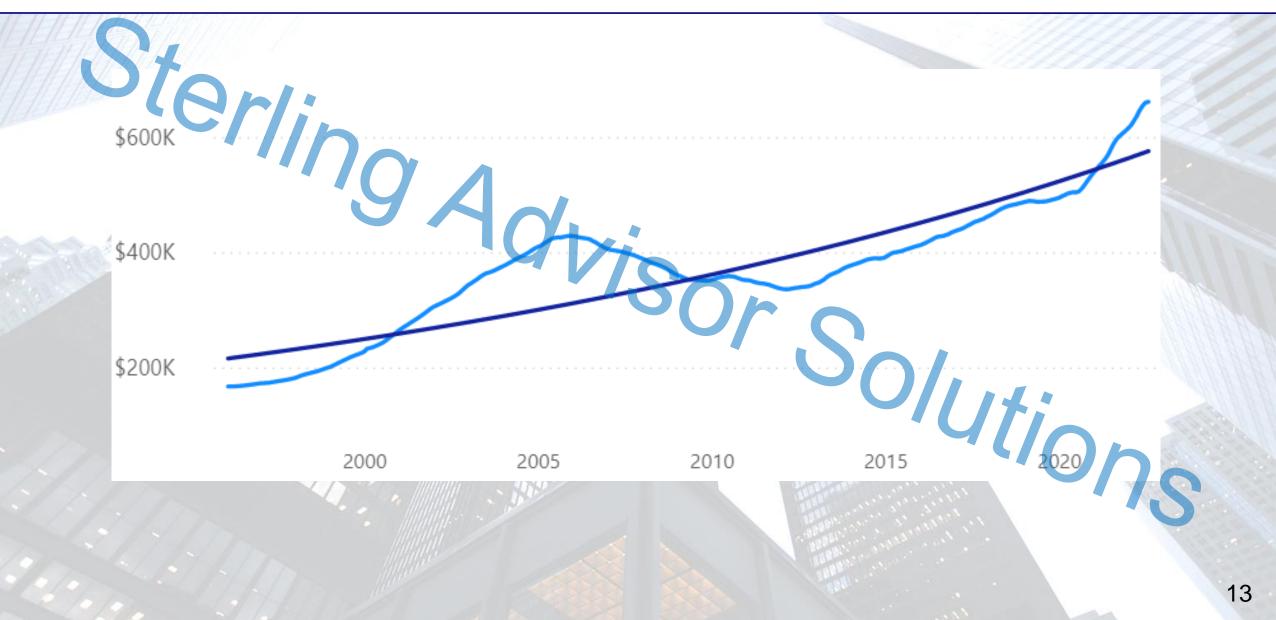
The long run real return has averaged 0.57% per year



#### **Case Shiller Real Estate Index, with Trend**







#### Miami









### San Diego





#### Seattle



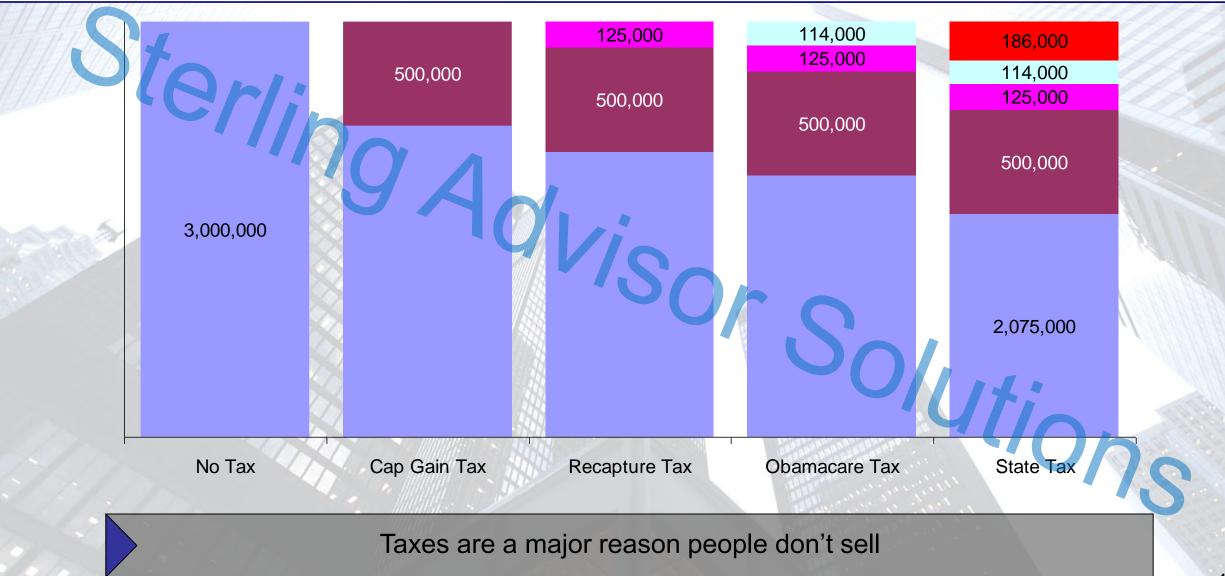




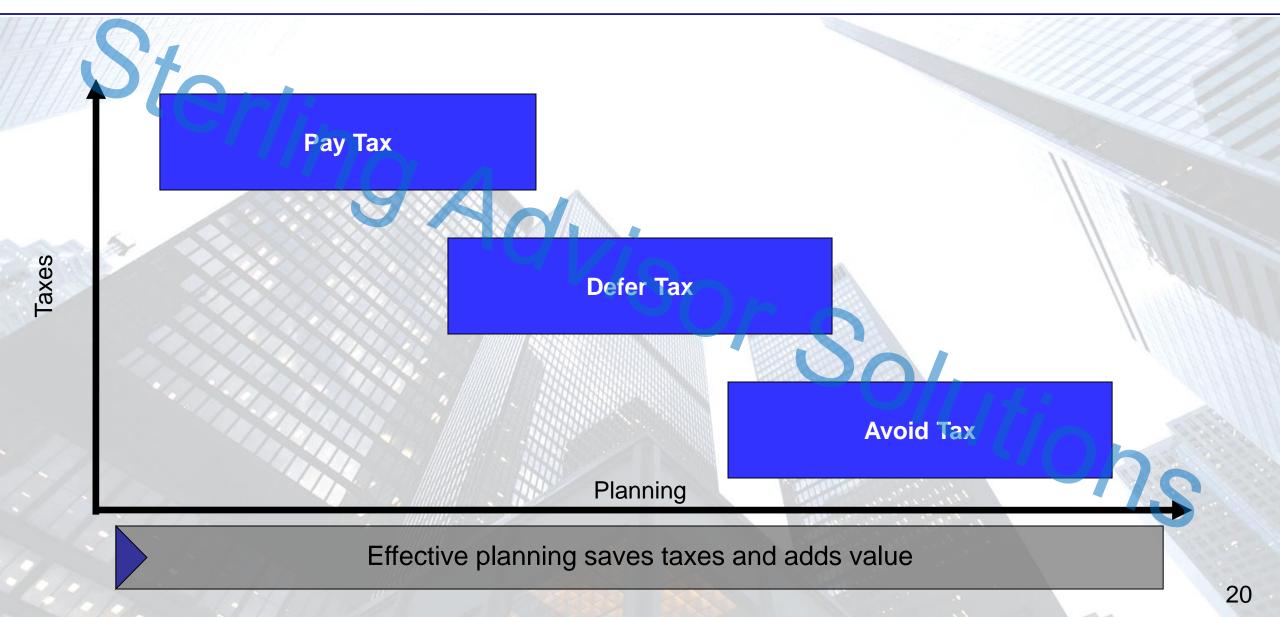




#### **Taxes on Sale of Real Estate**







# Sell and Pay Tax



#### Federal 23.8% Plus State:

State	Top Rate	Gross	Tax	Net
California	13.30%	3,000,000	1,113,000	1,887,000
New York (City)	12.70%	3,000,000	1,095,000	1,905,000
Hawaii	11%	3,000,000	1,044,000	1,956,000
New Jersey	10.75%	3,000,000	1,036,500	1,963,500
Oregon	9.90%	3,000,000	1,011,000	1,989,000
Minnesota	9.85%	3,000,000	1,009,500	1,990,500
District of Columbia	8.95%	3,000,000	982,500	2,017,500
Vermont	8.75%	3,000,000	976,500	2,023,500
lowa	8.53%	3,000,000	969,900	2,030,100
Wisconsin	7.65%	3,000,000	943,500	2,056,500
Average*	6.53%	3,000,000	909,900	2,090,100

<sup>\*</sup>Simple average of states that have an income tax

State income taxes add to federal pain

#### Installment Sales



# Benefits

Gain is spread across years

Tax is deferred

Tax may be paid at lower rates

#### Limitations

Full depreciation recapture in first year

Gain is partly converted to ordinary income

Seller exposed to risk of buyer's credit

Seller still exposed to risk of property (as collateral)

Cash received only over time

Exposure to potential tax rate increases

Can work in selected situations; Not a general solution



# Installment Sales

**Source of Benefit** 

Allocate income to lower brackets

Works best for taxpayers who have little income other than the sale

Capital Gains Amounts & Rates			
From	Up To	Federal Rate	
-	80,801	0.0%	
80,802	250,000	15.0%	
250,000	501,600	18.8%	
501,600	>501,600	23.8%	

**Hypothetical "Best Case"** 

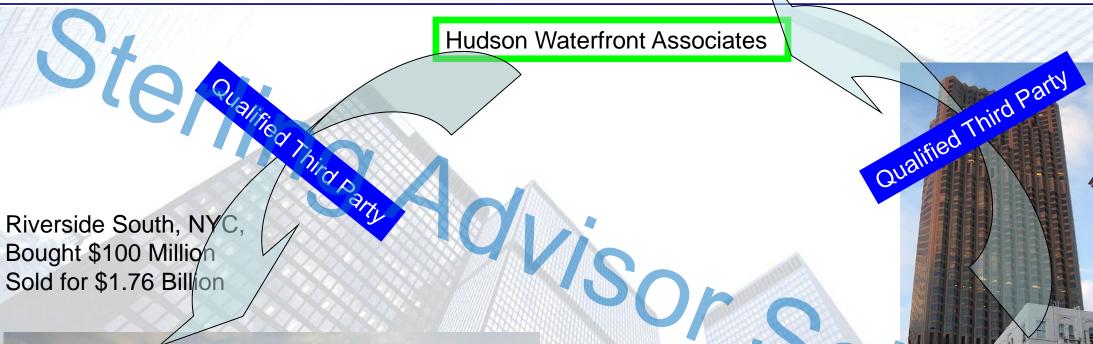
\$3 Million Gain

Seller has no other income; no recapture; no state tax

	Straight Sale	Four Installments	Six Installments
Approx. Tax	\$667,300	\$568,000	\$484,000

Best when no recapture, and seller has no other income









1031 works brilliantly in the right situations





Tax can be completely deferred

Property can be mortgaged



Cannot be used for personal residence

**Complex** 

Only works for investment real estate

Does not facilitate diversification outside of real estate

Cash or debt relief is taxable

Short time horizon for exchange

1031 works best for active, professional real estate investors



# 1031 Exchange – "DST"



Qualifies as 1031 replacement property

Very limited flexibility "7 deadly sins"

**Complex** 

No control

Lockup usually 5 to 10 years

"Black box"

Illiquid – no market for DST interests

May be hard to measure costs

**Small market** 

DST is probably best used to rescue 1031 that would otherwise fail

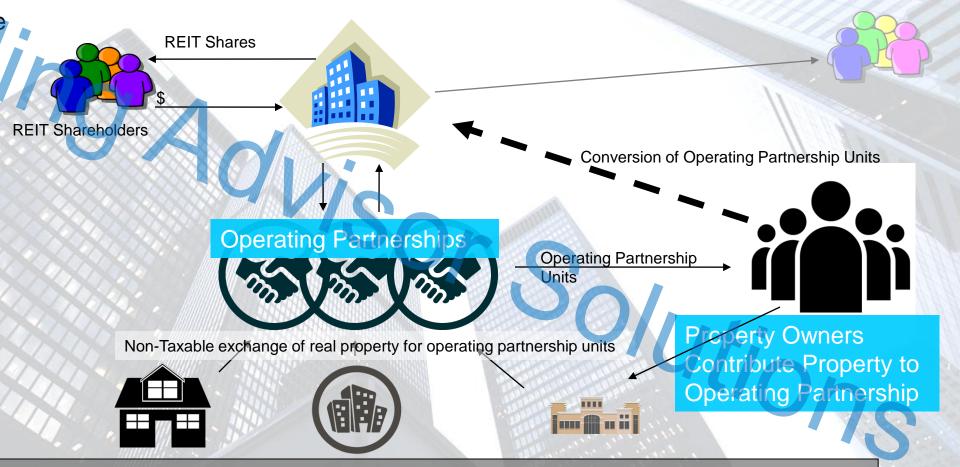


# UPReit (721 Exchange)

Owner exchanges a property for operating partnership units in a REIT

No Tax on exchange

Owner can later convert operating partnership units into REIT shares. Taxable



UPReit is complex, and requires expert advice



#### **Benefits**

Tax can be completely deferred

Property can be mortgaged

Diversification within the REIT

Cash flow

Liquid if REIT is publicly traded

# Limitations

#### **Complex**

No control

Taxation can be triggered by events out of investors control

Only works for investment real estate

Does not facilitate diversification outside of real estate

Cash realized is taxable

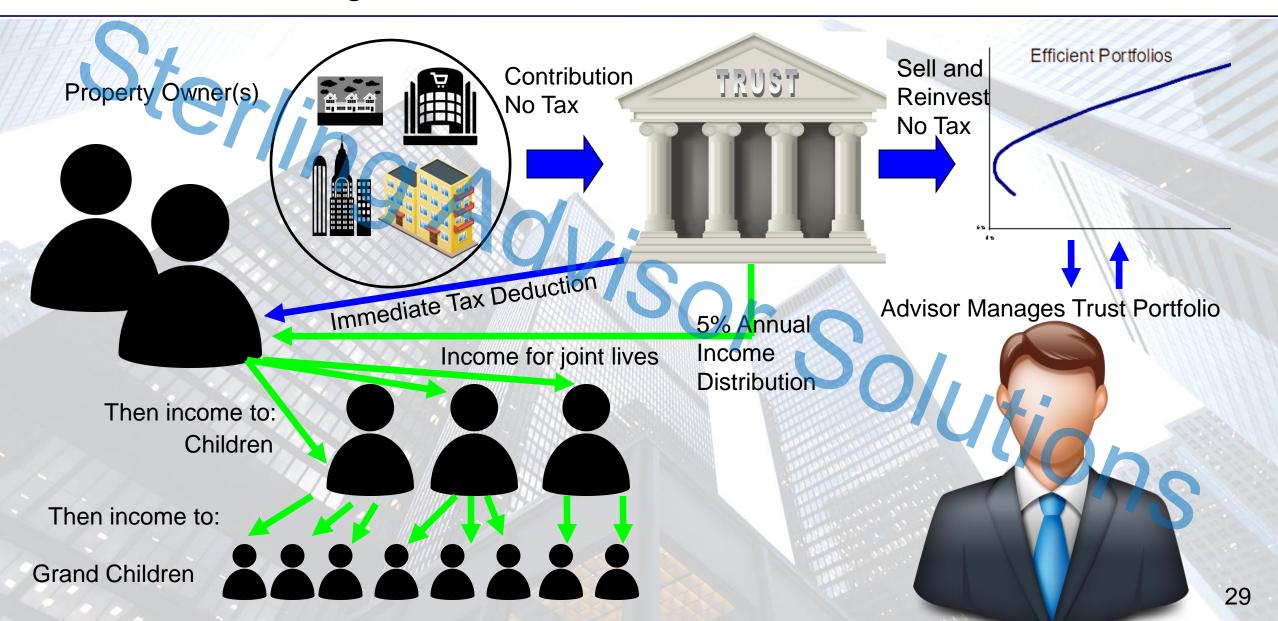
**UPREITs** won't accept just any property

Partner may be taxed in every state in which REIT has property

UPReits can work when limitations are acceptable; typical deal size ~ \$15- \$30 million

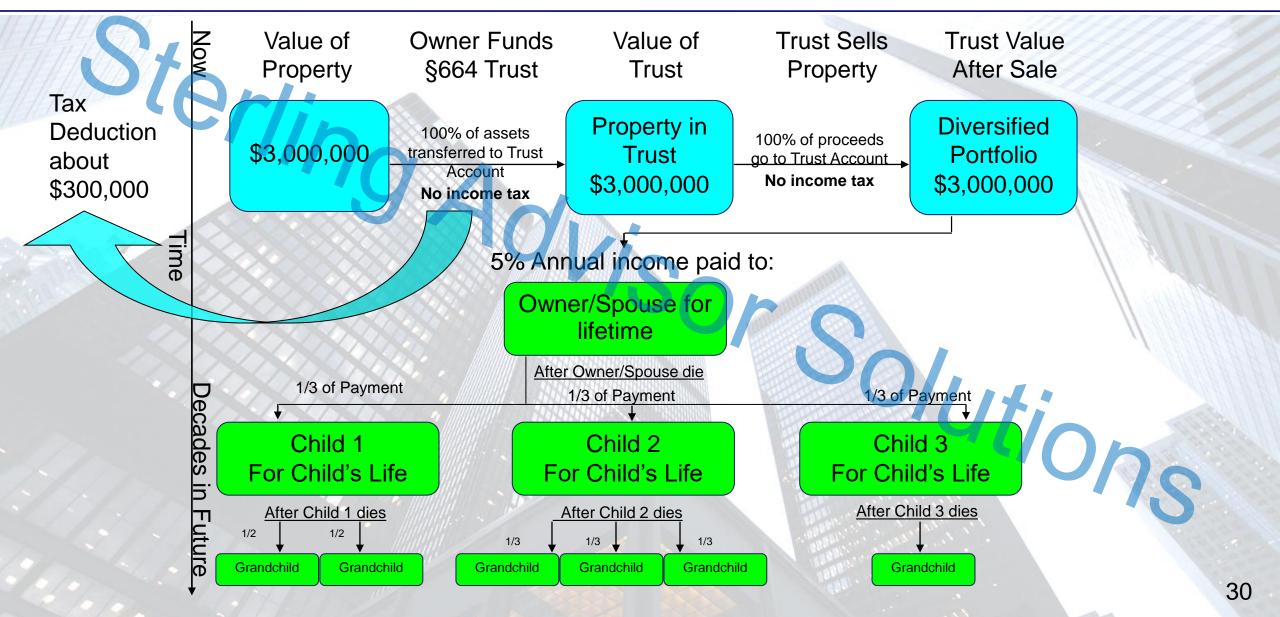
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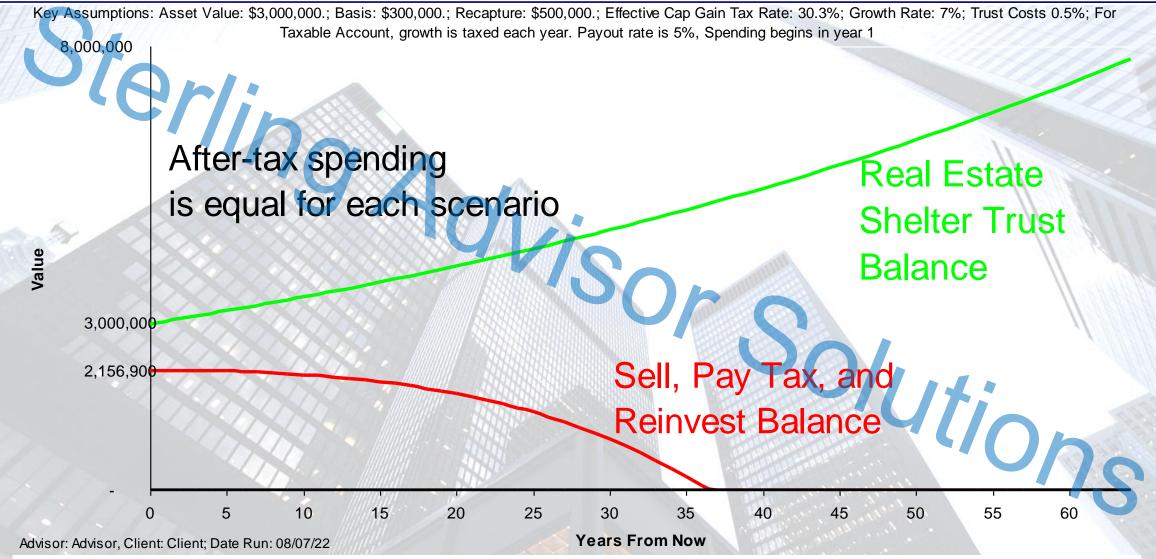
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Total Wealth: §664 Real Estate Shelter Trust vs. Sell, Pay Tax & Reinvest

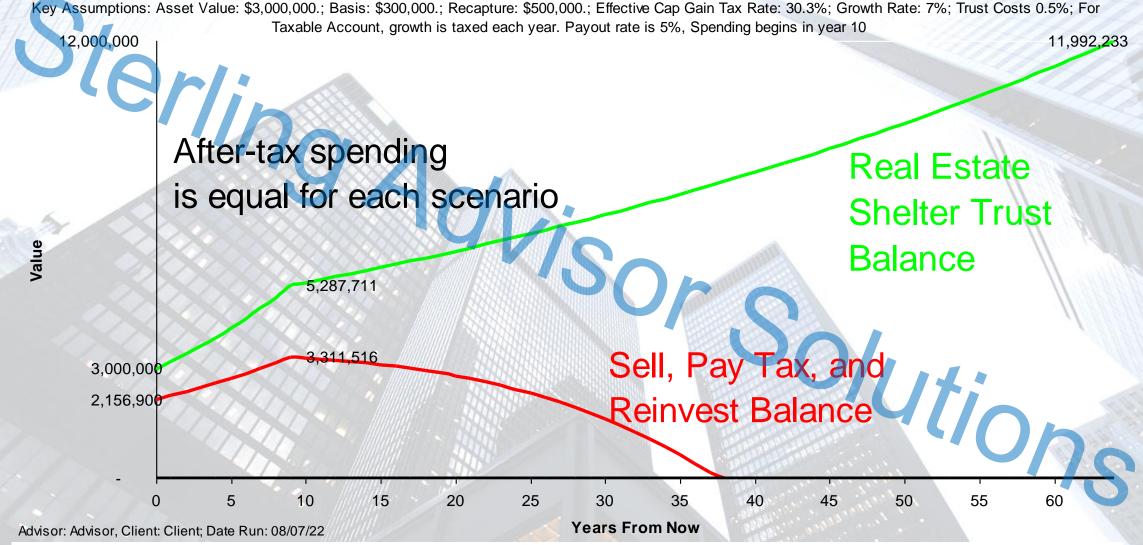


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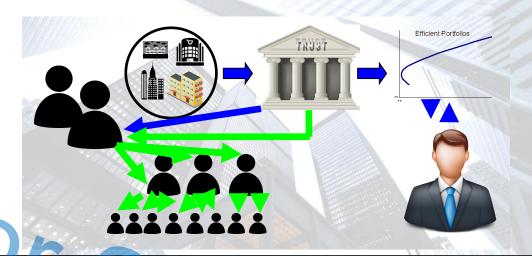






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#### A §664 Real Estate Shelter Trust



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# Benefits

Tax free contribution of property

**Property sold without tax** 

Assets can be reinvested in fully diversified portfolio

Annual cash distributions if desired

Indefinite deferral if desired

Can last for up to three generations

**Assets protected from creditors** 

Easy and cost effective to implement

#### Limitations

Requires professional administration

Trust is irrevocable

Beneficiaries entitled to income only

Income is taxable when received by beneficiary

Leveraged property may need to be restructured

Not usually good for principal residence while principal lives there

A §664 Trust is often an excellent solution for property owners who want to avoid tax



### Summary of Alternatives

Mari	Outright Sale	Installment Sale	1031 Exchange	721 Exchange	664 Trust
Taxable	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Tax Deduction	No	No	No	No	Yes
Investment Flexibility	Maximum	Limited by cash flow	Real	Real Estate	Maximum
Access to Principal	Yes	Limited by cash flow	With sale and tax	With sale and tax	No
Asset Protection	No	No	No	No	Yes
Tax Free Deferral	No	No	No	No	Yes

#### Uses of Each Solution



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Technique	Best Used When
Outright Sale	There is no concern about taxes
Installment Sale	Relatively small gain; no other income; low brackets
1031 Exchange	Investor wants to continue to be active in real estate
721 Exchange	1031 won't work, and investor wants REIT offered
664 Trust	Taxes, investment flexibility, diversification matters;







Apartment buildings

Raw land

Old and wants to sell

Tired of managing strip mall

Selling business and building that houses it





## Sterling Advisor Solutions

#### Real Estate

# What to look for:

- Clients with appreciated real estate
- Info to put together
  - Approximate market value of real estate
  - 2. Approximate basis
  - 3. Amount of debt, if any
  - 4. Ownership method (e.g. personal, LLC, partnership)
  - 5. Owner main goals (e.g. save taxes, diversify, cashflow)
- 3. Is there a spouse, children, grandchildren?

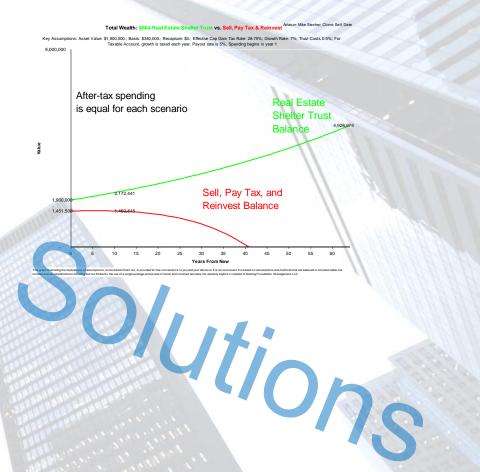
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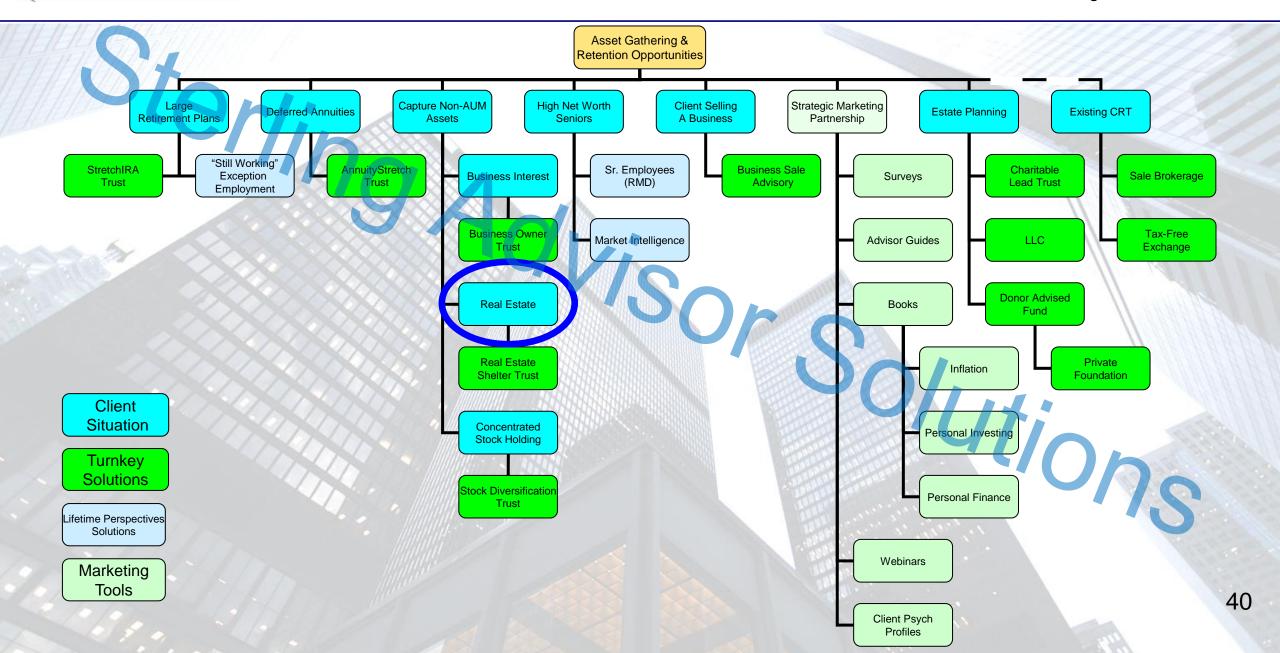
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- 1. Individualized analysis
- 2. Consultation, discussion, review
- 3. Turnkey documents



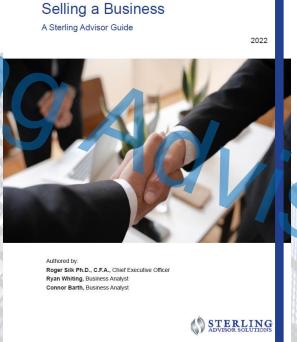
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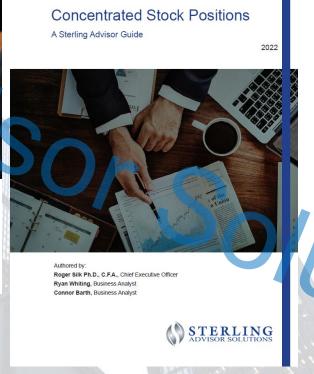
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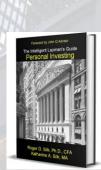
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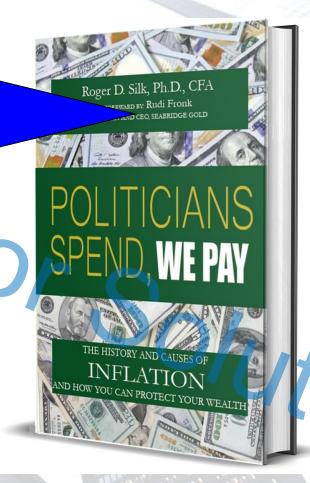


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