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"Grantor" | A term your attorney may use — another name for the "Settlor," the person who creates and funds a trust. This packet uses "Settlor" throughout. |

"Settlor" | The person or entity who establishes and initially funds the trust. |

"Trustee" | Person or company (trust company) who manages the trust property, follows trust instructions, and makes trust distributions |

"Beneficiary" | The person or entity who receives benefits or assets from the trust as outlined by its terms |

"Trust Property" | All property transferred into the trust account, including real estate, bank accounts, investments, or personal possessions. |

"HEMS" | An acronym for Health, Education, Maintenance, and Support, the common standard used to make distributions for a beneficiary's needs. |

"Income" | Cash or assets received by the trust from dividends, interest, profits, or rent during an accounting period, as defined by the trust. |

"Principal" | The trust property and funds held in the account by the trust (not distributions or expenses). |

"Trust Protector" | A trusted independent third party with the ability to act in the trustee's place for limited purposes like modifying terms or firing the trustee. |

"Related or Subordinate Party" | A person or entity connected to the trust such that certain trust provisions, such as tax rules or discretionary distributions, may not apply.

General Notes for Client Communication:

- All legal terms in the Trust Agreement have exact legal meanings under both the governing jurisdiction and Internal Revenue Code.
- Consult your attorney or financial advisor for specific guidance on terminology in your situation.
- This plain-language glossary is for assistance only; the terms of the trust and applicable law control in all cases.