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Millennium Trust's Quarterly Alternatives Newsletter

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Bringing Our Values to Life

As I reflect on the past year I hope that 2017 was a successful and happy one for you. At Millennium Trust, we continue to better serve and support the success of our clients. As the trusted leader in specialized custody solutions, we pride ourselves on being an ally to our clients.

One of my professional highlights for 2017 was working with my colleagues at Millennium to not only provide outstanding service to you, our clients, but also to solidify our vision and values as a company. These reflect our dedication to service, our commitment to expanding access to alternatives, and our promise of sharing our expertise with our clients. Our newly established vision and values are as follows:

Our vision is to empower clients with exceptional resources and innovative ways to invest.

The five strategic principles that are at the core of our values:

Do Right – We act with integrity and accountability at all times, building trust every day.

Collaborate – We team, we communicate, we inform — always as the client's ally, putting their needs first.

Innovate – We drive growth with agility, looking beyond the status quo and continuously improving as we evolve.

Excel – We keep high standards and exceed expectations, achieving outstanding performance.

Celebrate – We have fun at work, appreciating one another and sharing our successes.

These fundamental elements serve as points of reference to us all to continue building and providing great service, access, and expertise to you, our clients. As we dive into 2018, I see great things ahead for Millennium Trust and the clients we serve. We will keep our strategic vision in focus and always live up to our values so that we can continue to offer you outstanding service.

Thank you for being a part of our journey. Please feel free to send questions or comments to us at: info@mtrustcompany.com.



Gary Anetsberger, CEO

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Going Above and Beyond to Offer Exceptional Client Service

Millennium Trust is always looking for ways to better serve our clients, and 2017 was no exception. In the last year we have focused on increased training, enhanced security and expanded service so that we can continue to offer you the best experience possible.

Training

Ongoing training is essential to provide the highest quality client service. We have recently refreshed training for all of our client service agents to provide them with the expertise and resources to deliver quick and accurate responses to your questions. We even hosted an enterprise-wide training session from a third-party organization that excels in offering exceptional—and memorable—client service.

We pride ourselves on exceptional client service, and focus on collaborating to find the right solution for our clients.

Security

We are committed to protecting your personal and financial information, and continually look for ways to enhance security. In 2017 we provided clients the ability to add an extra layer of security to their account by creating a passphrase to verify their identity when contacting Millennium by phone. You can simply visit the Create Secure Passphrase page at <https://map.mtrustcompany.com/passphrase> and follow the provided instructions.

Service

We always work to respond and assist clients in a timely manner, and we recognize that many clients have questions that arise during certain times of the year, like tax season.

We also have created a new, online Tax Center where you can view FAQs, videos and more helpful resources that make it easy for clients to quickly get the answers you are looking for.

Introducing the Millennium Trust Blog

At Millennium Trust, we are committed to empowering our clients with exceptional educational resources. Whether it's webinars or white papers, case studies or surveys, we always strive to share our expertise with those we work with to help advance the industry and tackle the challenges you face.

We are proud to introduce the new Millennium Trust Blog. Our blog is a platform for education, insights, and information about current industry topics and relevant trends, and will be a go-to resource for advisors and investors.

We are excited to share our expertise and perspectives with you and hope you will visit frequently and find it a useful resource. Visitors can also subscribe to the blog to receive notification when posts relevant to your interests are published.

Visit our blog at mtrustcompany.com/blog!

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New Platform, New Opportunity to Diversify Your Portfolio

The Millennium Alternative Investment Network® (MAIN®), an easy, streamlined resource for access to alternative investments through our extensive online network. We are pleased to announce our newest platform, Gold Bullion International (GBI).

Clients who wish to invest in precious metals through their Self-Directed IRA may do so through MAIN by selecting GBI and establishing a precious metals trading account with them. Investors choose from a selection of IRS-approved precious metals through the GBI platform, automatically connecting them with the best execution from a network of top precious metals dealers, and payments are processed through the platform itself.

Similar to other platforms on MAIN, the client will subsequently open an IRA with Millennium through our online account opening process. Clients may invest in IRS-approved precious metals online, securely, and their physical metals will be stored at GBI's vaulting provider. Visit MAIN to get started at: mtrustcompany.com/MAIN.



Precious Metals

GOLD BULLION INTERNATIONAL
Gold Bullion International is the most secure, efficient and cost effective option for institutions and individuals to purchase, store and manage physical precious metals.

What Precious Metals Are Eligible to be Held in an IRA?

According to the Internal Revenue Code, IRAs may invest in certain precious metal coins and bullion as listed below.

Gold Coins

- American Buffalo
- American Eagle
- Australian Kangaroo/Nugget
- Austrian Philharmonic
- Canadian Maple Leaf

Silver Coins

- America the Beautiful
- American Eagle
- Australian Kookaburra
- Austrian Vienna Philharmonic
- Canadian Maple Leaf
- Mexican Libertad

Platinum Coins

- American Eagle
- Australian Koala
- Canadian Maple Leaf
- Isle of Man Noble

In addition to these coins, certain gold, silver, platinum and palladium bars and rounds produced by manufacturers accredited by NYMEX, COMEX, LME, LBMA, NYSE Liffe, LPPM, TOCOM and ISO-9000 or a national government mint and meeting minimum fineness may also be held in an IRA.

Minimum metal fineness required for bars is as follows:

Gold - .995+

Platinum - .9995+

Silver - .999+

Palladium - .9995+

FIND ALTERNATIVE ASSETS WITH MAIN®

The Millennium Alternative Investment Network provides a centralized online service that makes it easy to find and custody alternative assets.



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Tax Season Reminders

The beginning of the year marks the start of tax season. To help ease the burden of tax preparation, we have created an online Tax Center to help navigate the process. In the new Tax Center, you will find videos explaining various tax forms you may receive from Millennium Trust, helpful FAQs, and important dates and deadlines. As your ally, we provide these resources to help guide you through the process.

Please visit: mtrustcompany.com/tax-center.

IRS Form 1099

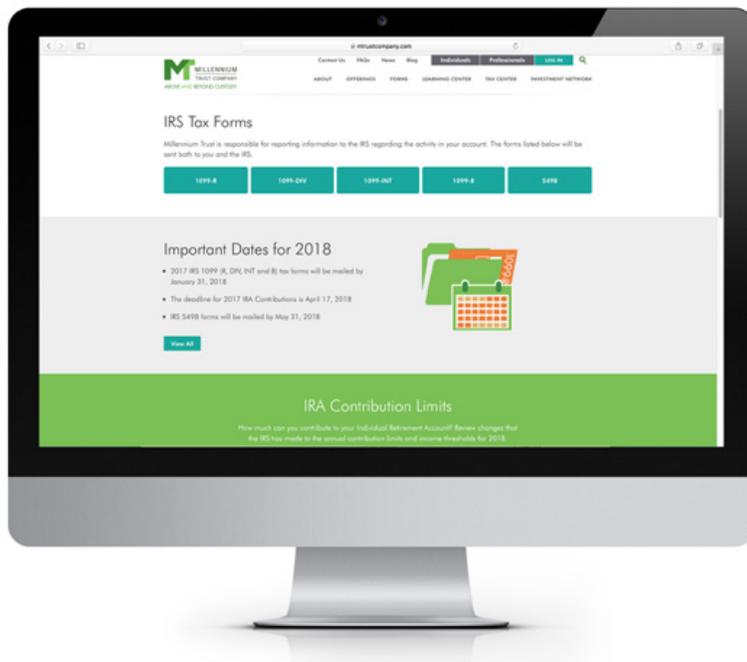
IRS Form 1099 is sent to clients to report interest, dividends, and distributions for the preceding tax year.

The 1099 (R, INT, DIV) tax forms for 2017 will be mailed to account owners by January 31, 2018.

IRS Form 5498

If you made a contribution to an IRA during the previous tax year, you will receive Form 5498. Form 5498 also reports amounts rolled over from other types of retirement accounts to your IRA. IRA contributions are accepted through April 15th of the following year. If your contribution total changes as the result of an additional contribution made by that date, an updated Form 5498 will be issued.

Because you are able to make contributions to your IRA for the previous year up to the tax filing deadline (April 17, 2018), 5498 forms are completed after this deadline. Millennium Trust will mail 5498 forms by the IRS deadline, which is May 31, 2018, for the 2017 filings.



For more information, visit us at mtrustcompany.com or call us at 800.258.7878

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We are an expert provider of custody solutions, committed to the evolving needs of advisors, financial institutions, businesses, and individual investors.

total assets under custody

\$23.6B

private fund assets

\$12.6B

client accounts

800K

unique assets we custody

14K

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