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Single clients with a net worth substantially above \$15 million and married couples with a net worth substantially above \$30 million, need to consider advance estate planning avenues to utilize these exemptions and to reduce estate taxes. Clients whose net worth is close to the thresholds or predicted to exceed the thresholds should contemplate changes to their estate plans to stay ahead. If you have questions about how these changes may affect your estate plan, please do not hesitate to contact the Trust & Estates Group at Jackson & Campbell: John J. Matteo at <a href="mailto:JMatteo@JacksCamp.com">JMatteo@JacksCamp.com</a> and Lexie Delgado-Boone at <a href="mailto:LDelgadoBoone@JacksCamp.com">LDelgadoBoone@JacksCamp.com</a>.

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