

**REPATRIATION OF ASSETS** held outside one's home country is increasingly difficult to accomplish without revealing the beneficial owner's identity and paying taxes (and even penalties) on those assets. By combining **Wealth-Shield's** ability to create structures and provide credible Nominee services, together with alternative means of payment through other **SWIFT Financial Group** partners, these goals can be safely accomplished without putting the client at risk.

**EXPATRIATION OF ASSETS** is often severely limited by governments fearing capital flight. Over more than 20 years, the principals of **Wealth-Shield** have created vehicles and transfer mechanisms to accomplish asset expatriation using various safe but very private strategies.

**SPECIALTY VEHICLES** such as rebilling companies, captive insurance companies, investment companies and even private banks, can be created and managed by **Wealth-Shield** or other strategic partners of **The SWIFT Financial Group** when such a solution is needed by a client.



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One of The **SWIFT** Financial Group's key partners is **Wealth-Shield International**.

**Wealth-Shield** offers the design, creation and management of tax-efficient international business structures, as well as development strategy services and financial transaction planning to qualified clients. These complex international business structures are individually crafted to provide each client the highest available level of:

- » Asset protection;
- » Asset expatriation and repatriation;
- » Access to international markets;
- » Advanced estate planning; and,
- » Complete tax compliance while retaining fiscal efficiency.



**Wealth-Shield** is the leading international designer of Series Limited Liability Companies (LLC); as well as innovative trust and trust-substitute structures. Series LLCs have been structured as real estate holding companies, investment companies, capital management companies, etc.

**Wealth-Shield** also specializes in the use of various "onshore" business organizations from jurisdictions like the US, UK and New Zealand that provide tax and asset protection advantages to clients who are neither residents nor citizens.

Because **Wealth-Shield** clients come from many different countries with many different situations, not every solution works for every client. Thus far however, at least one workable solution has been found for

every client in every situation. Some of these solutions, both simple and complicated, are summarized below.

**TRUSTS** can be used for a variety of purposes including: asset protection; avoiding inheritance taxes, contested wills, probate court and forced heirship rules; providing for an incompetent or disable person unable to manage their own affairs properly; arms-length ownership of assets and businesses; and the ongoing operation of charitable or religious organizations.

**LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES (LLC)** are a relatively new, but widely accepted corporate vehicle that combines the simplicity of a partnership with the limited liability of a corporation and the flexibility and asset protection of a trust. **Wealth-Shield** has been a leader in the development of LLC Custodial Companies which work as effective trust substitutes in many situations.

**SERIES LLCs** are probably the newest form of business organization. A series LLC may contain within it a "series" of segregated asset containers whose debts and other liabilities are enforceable against that asset container alone. Thus, multiple, but separate sub-companies within one umbrella limited liability company can exist without the need to create separate entities.

**CROSS-BORDER MERGERS** can be used to change the *citizenship* of a company from a country that is no longer favorable to the client's situation, to a country that is favorable. A good example of this is the merger of a Uruguay Offshore Company, which is under increasing attack, into a Delaware-US LLC. By merging the former company into the new company, transfer taxes are avoided in most countries.

**NOMINEE OWNERS AND DIRECTORS** can be used to shield the identity of the beneficial owner of almost any asset. This is less suspicious than bearer shares, provided the Nominee is a professional who understands his role. Such an arrangement is perfectly suited for the repatriation of assets held abroad without incurring taxes on those assets. When backed by a *share transfer in blank* or *sale-repurchase agreement*, the client's financial interests will remain secure while completely shielding his identity from third parties.