



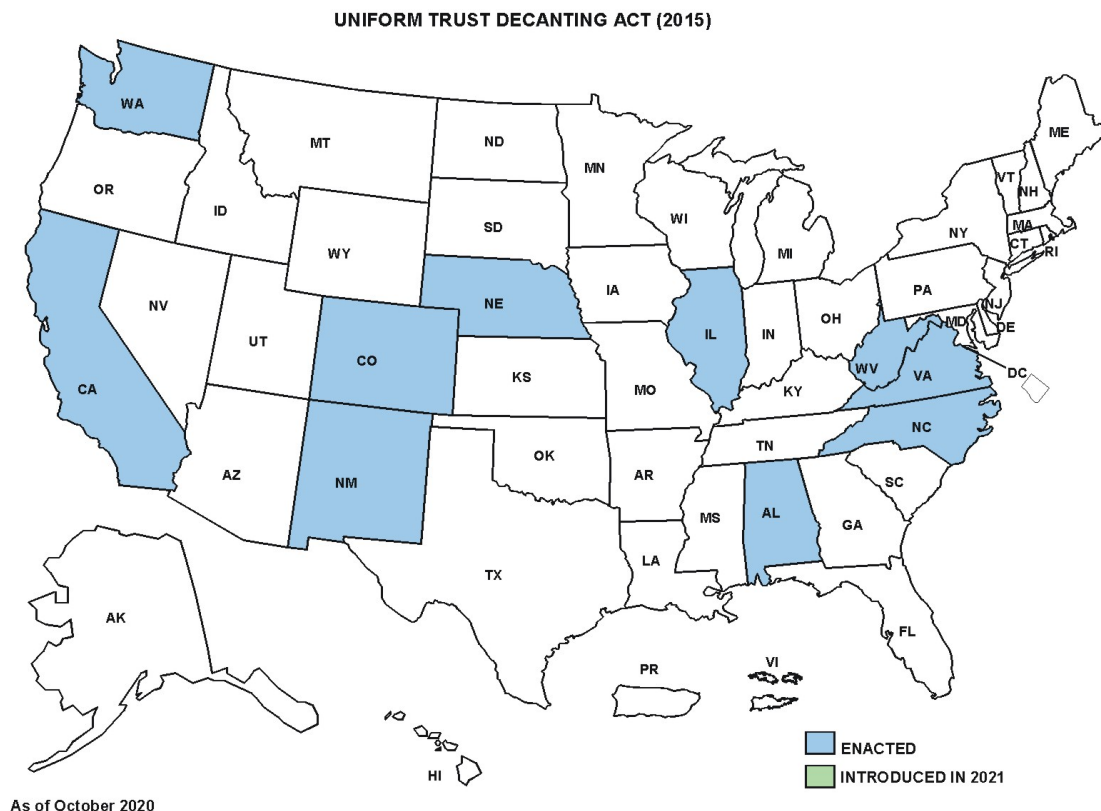
A Few Facts about  
**THE UNIFORM TRUST DECANTING ACT**

**PURPOSE:** “Decanting” is the term used to describe the distribution of assets from one trust into a second trust, like wine is decanted from the bottle to another vessel. Decanting can be a useful strategy for changing the outdated terms of an otherwise irrevocable trust, but can also be abused to defeat the settlor’s intent. The Uniform Trust Decanting Act allows a trustee to reform an irrevocable trust document within reasonable limits and subject to fiduciary duties that prevent potential abuses.

**ORIGIN:** Completed by the Uniform Law Commission in 2015.

**APPROVED BY:** American Bar Association

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