

Calculating the Additional Deduction after Renouncing a Life-Income Interest

Occasionally, an income recipient will reassign the income interest in a life income gift. In this situation, the income recipient has made a charitable contribution equal to the value of the income stream he has renounced, and therefore can claim a charitable deduction for that amount. (If the renunciation is for a deferred charitable gift annuity see the help topic, Calculating The Deduction When Beneficiaries Of A Deferred Charitable Gift Annuity Renounce An Income Interest.)

- 1. Use Program 1, Deduction Calculations and Narratives.
- 2. Select the Non-Charitable Interest Dollars chart.
- 3. In *Gift Date/IRS Discount Rat*e, enter the date on which the severance becomes effective. Use the **lowest** discount rate available to maximize the charitable deduction.
- 4. Enter birthdays in *Lives and/or Fixed Term* on the date of renunciation.
- 5. If the gift was a gift annuity or charitable remainder annuity trust, the *Principal* should be the same as when the original gift was made. If the gift were a charitable remainder unitrust or pooled fund enter as the *Principal* the value of the unitrust assets/pooled fund units on the date of reassignment rather than on the date of gift. (The cost basis is irrelevant for this calculation.)
- 6. The payout amount, payment frequency, and timing should be the same as the original gift. If the gift was a pooled income fund, enter the pooled fund's valuation rate on the date of reassignment as the highest return of the last three years.
- 7. Click *View* to see the *Non-Charitable Interest Dollars* chart. The number on this chart is the value that the income beneficiary can claim as a charitable income tax deduction. The income beneficiary is entitled to this deduction even if he was not the donor who funded the original gift.

Note: Some practitioners feel that in the case of a gift annuity only, the contribution would equal the unrecovered investment in contract rather than amount computed by following the steps above.

Consult the On-Line Help system in PGM/Mini for more information on this topic by clicking *Help* in the menu bar, then *Index*; type "*income interest*" into the word field, click on "*Calculating the value of*," and then "*Display*."

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