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Topic: The Family Trust Company Comes to Florida

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A Family Trust Company, also known as a private trust company, is an entity authorized to act as a fiduciary (trustee, manager, general partner, escrow agent, custodian) for a single family. It is prohibited from offering services to the public, and consequently, is not as heavily regulated as a corporate trust company.

This year, Florida joined states like South Dakota, Nevada, and Texas in recognizing the Family Trust Company as a legal entity. Once only feasible for billionaires, the Family Trust Company concept now makes sense for families with a lower wealth profile. Jill Creager will discuss the issues driving the interest in Family Trust Companies, the structure of a Family Trust Company, and the specifics of the Florida legislation.