## **INCOME PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT**

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- 1. The Basics of Retirement Income Planning
  - Identifying your retirement income need
  - Structuring stable, increasing income in retirement
  - Understanding time horizon, and how it impacts your retirement income plan
  - Combating inflation, the silent killer of income in retirement
  - How to fund your income gap
- 2. Social Security Election
  - When should you file for Social Security benefits?
  - Understanding spousal benefits, including ex-spouse benefits
  - Understanding widow/widower benefits, and how they may affect your filing strategy
  - income
- 3. Reducing Income Taxes in Retirement
  - Key Provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017
  - How to use exemptions, exclusions, deductions and credits to save on taxes
  - Reduce taxes on IRA/401k withdrawals
  - How to increase income, but not income taxes
  - How to reduce taxes on Social Security Income

## 4. Handling IRAs, 401(k)s and Other Retirement Accounts

- Taxation on retirement accounts
- Understanding the rules for Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)
- Are you holding the wrong investments outside of your IRA/401k?
- The difference in IRAs vs company plans like 401Ks, 403Bs, etc.
- How to use Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) effectively

## 5. Other Retirement Income Considerations

- Understanding the effect of income on both Medicare premiums and the taxation of social security benefits
- Safe money and risk money, the foundation of bucket income planning
- The good and bad of using annuities for retirement income