## **ADMINISTRATIVE TRUSTEE CHECKLIST**

Locate, collect and inventory assets and liabilities
Decide on what bills should be paid and when, following the priorities provided for in your trust and in the law
Prepare estate and income taxes
Account for trust assets
Communicate transparently with all beneficiaries
Make interim distributions to beneficiaries or their trusts
Establish tax sheltered shares ("marital" and "family" sub trusts)
Establish and set up inheritance trusts for beneficiaries
Ultimately turn the reins over to the successor trustees, either:
your spouse
your spouse  your children
your children