



We provide a comprehensive approach to income, estate, financial and investment planning. Unlike traditional estate advisors, we have a team of planners, financial advisors, insurance professionals and investment managers who work to bring the creative thinking, solutions and valuable advice together to create a plan that meets your long-term goals.

### WHY WE ARE DIFFERENT

This gathering of expertise and guidance enables us to create a plan built around your goals. Insurance people tend to see insurance as the answer, investment people often have specific products to push. Our team prides itself on focusing only on you, your needs and your aspirations. We work to help you articulate your dreams, formulate a vision for your future and the future of your family and business, and we put together a comprehensive plan that helps to make your dream a reality.

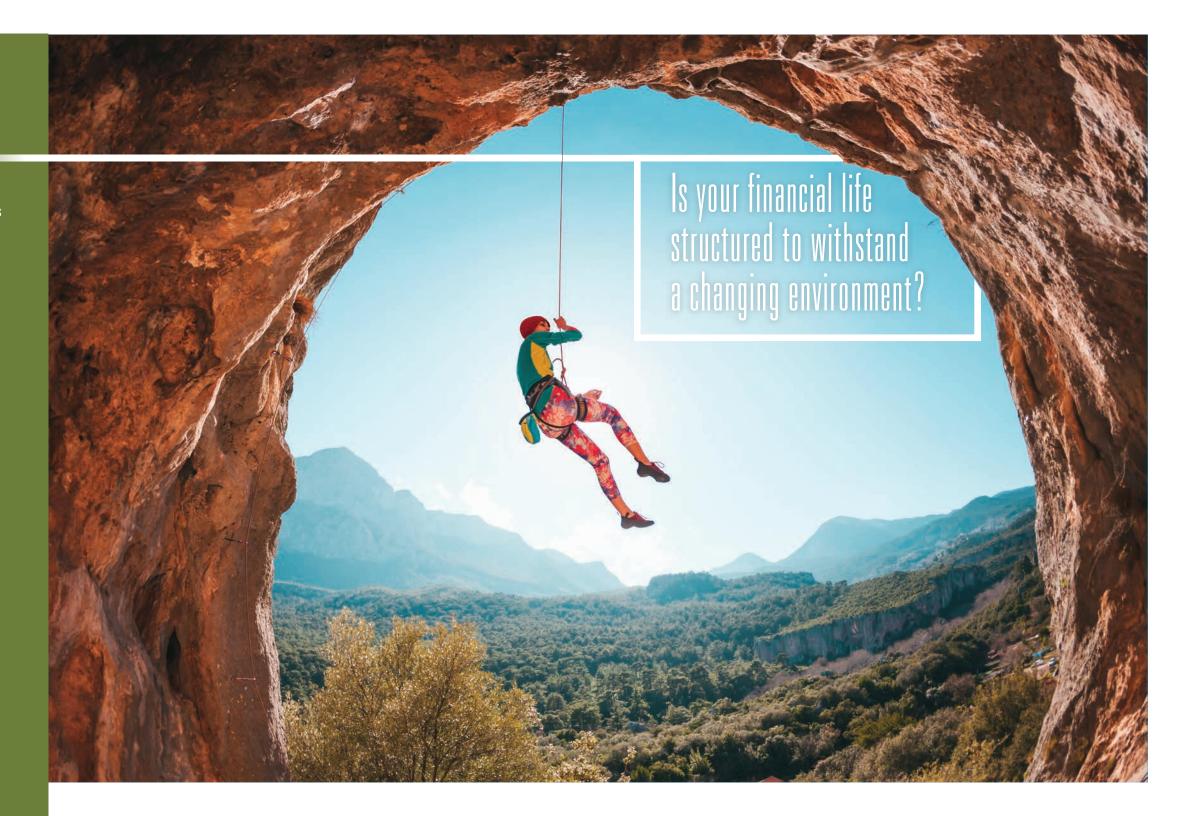
Our method is different than many in the industry because it takes a cross-disciplinary approach. We collect every relevant financial document and ensure that consideration is given to all of the components of a solid financial plan. This 360-degree view helps us identify opportunities, gaps and potential problems so we can recommend the right solutions.

We synthesize your information into a Present Condition Analysis (PCA), a comprehensive look at your current situation. We create this extremely valuable tool at no charge and no obligation to you.

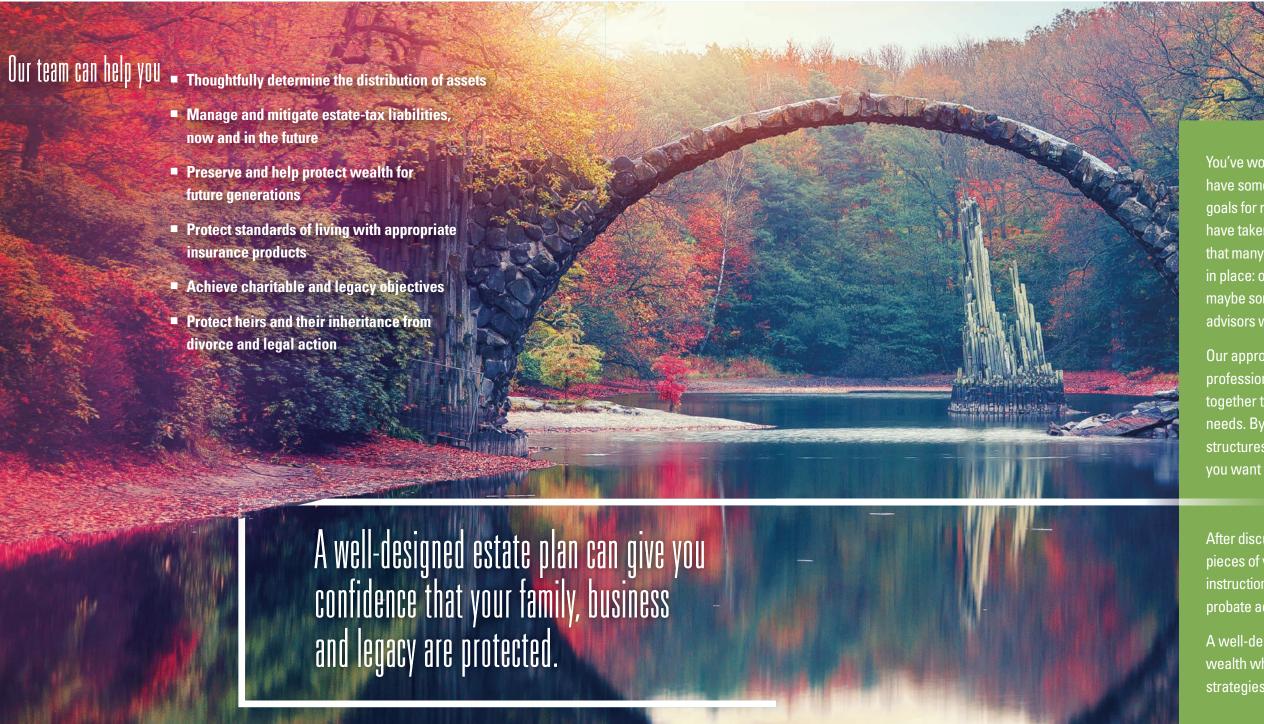
## A COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL PLAN

A comprehensive financial plan includes all of the components of planning your estate, protecting your wealth and caring for your heirs:

- Business Succession Planning preparing for the future of your largest asset
- Estate Planning wills, trusts and decisions about what happens to your assets when you die
- Insurance Planning protecting the people you love
- Investment Planning building and preserving wealth
- **Legacy Planning** how you want to leave a mark on your community and be remembered when you are gone
- Special Needs Planning protecting vulnerable family members



## **HOLISTIC COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING** Wealth Management Risk Management Life Insurance Investment Planning Audit Disability **Planning** Long-Term Care Envision a Wills and Employee Benefits comprehensive plan built on a solid foundation. Estate Tax Succession Purpose Structure Legacy Estate Planning Business Planning



You've worked hard to build an estate and you probably have some idea of what you want it to do for you. From goals for retirement to establishing a legacy, you may have taken steps to put your affairs in order. We find that many clients have some elements of an estate plan in place: often a mix of investments, a will, a trust and maybe some insurance products. You may also have advisors who help you with these pieces.

Our approach is cross-disciplinary. We have professionals in a variety of specialties who come together to develop a program that meets your needs. By leveraging tax-advantaged methods, legal structures and having honest conversations about how you want to spend your later years, we can help you.

### **ESTATE PLANNING**

After discussing your goals, we will analyze the existing pieces of your plan to identify gaps, contradictory instructions and issues that could inadvertently trigger probate action and tax exposure.

A well-designed plan can alleviate anxiety and fortify wealth while you are alive by using asset preservation strategies within your estate.

The basics of investment planning are establishing goals, understanding risk tolerance and appropriately allocating assets. A successful plan encompasses all of these components and more.

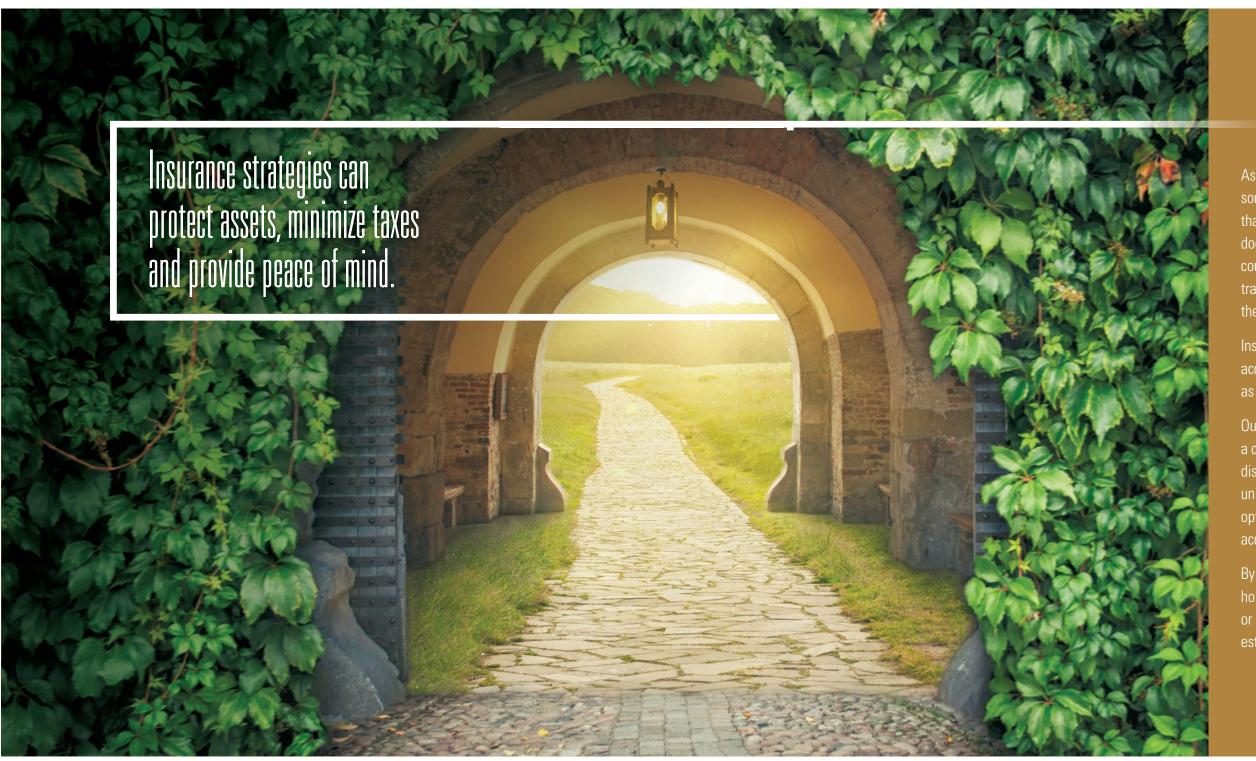
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We identify the right mix of investments from a wide array of sources. Our openarchitecture format means there are no proprietary products that move to the top of the list. This structure is deliberate and allows us to do what's right for your situation rather than pushing a specific product.

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## INSURANCE PLANNING

As the insurance industry becomes more specialized, sorting through the various choices is more difficult than ever. It is easy to make a costly mistake that doesn't become obvious for years. When it is used correctly, insurance can, alleviate stress after a tragedy, create stability in difficult times and protect the people and things you love.

Insurance programs can be used as cash accumulation and wealth accumulation tools, as well as providing traditional protective strategies.

Our planners understand how insurance fits into a comprehensive plan. Whether you need life, disability, long-term care or a specialty policy to fit a unique need, we will search the market for the right options. As an independent organization, we have access to a wide range of products.

By looking at insurance as one component of a holistic plan, we ensure that it does not leave gaps or create situations that could undermine your overall estate-planning goals.



# BUSINESS STRUCTURES, BUY/SELL AGREEMENTS AND BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING

Building a company requires creativity, execution and sacrifices. A successful business is often an entrepreneur's identity, source of financial stability and legacy to heirs. Business owners are unique in the challenges they face when planning their estates.

Many businesses are the main component of the owner's net worth. This adds a layer of complexity to long-range planning and many entrepreneurs benefit from an objective advisor.

We find that navigating buy/sell agreements and quarterbacking partnership discussions are among our most valuable services for entrepreneurs. We provide assistance and guidance in negotiating, creating and implementing business agreements between partners, family members and executives in companies of all sizes. In many cases, existing agreements are incomplete and expose owners to inappropriate risks. Our work identifies and helps to close these gaps.

We help business owners determine the most effective company structures to reduce liability exposure and solve income, estate and asset preservation issues. These issues are often weighed against a backdrop of complex family dynamics.

It's critical to think about exit strategies early in your company's life while you are putting your heart and soul into building it. Decisions you make in the middle and early stages can be of support or be detrimental when it is time to move to your next phase. Navigating an exit can be emotional and financially confusing. Our clients use us to be an objective sounding board when thinking through these tough decisions. The true value of the business, then timing of a change, any range of family obligations — all of these have an impact.

## RETIREMENT PLANS FOR BUSINESSES

Employee retirement plans are a powerful recruitment and retention tool for growing businesses. Offering a plan that enables employees to prepare for their futures and retire with dignity requires the assistance of experienced professionals who can help you navigate a range of complex regulatory and fiduciary responsibilities.

Retirement plans can take many forms, but all are more successful when education and hands-on management are part of the program. To be successful, business owners need expertise in plan design, investment options, vendors, pricing, tax laws and many other issues. The assistance of a dedicated advisor, who can share best practices, steer you from mistakes and serve as an objective source of information for employees, is a valuable asset.

## We provide

- Employee Education
- Fiduciary Responsibility Guidance
- Investment Products
- Plan Design





### **ESTATE PLANNING** FOR INTERNATIONAL **CITIZENS**

As a South Florida firm with clients all around the world. we have helped many international clients put their affairs in order before immigrating to the U.S. Tax and asset protection for new U.S. citizens can be a harsh departure from their home countries.

Within our holistic estate planning model, we can deploy a number of strategies that help preserve wealth, retain control, create more-favorable tax situations and structure wealth for future generations in the most efficient way.

## Among the benefits we strive to achieve:

- Annual returns
- Appropriate levels of risk based the client's personal situation
- Avoidance of transfer taxes to future generations
- Beneficial tax structure
- Discretionary investments
- Liquidity
- Simplified reporting and accounting



## **WEALTH PROTECTION AND ESTATE PLANNING FOR NON-US RESIDENTS**

International citizens who have family members and assets in the U.S. have a range of issues to consider when undertaking estate planning. Residency requirements, tax concerns, foreign-source income investing and pre-immigration planning for wealth and assets often require a team approach to planning and compliance.

We have professional financial advisors who focus on the unique needs of US citizens who live abroad, resident aliens and citizens of non-US countries. The use of trusts and insurance can create protection and more favorable tax situations.

Employing these types of strategies requires care, privacy and service. Our team approach means that you will have fulltime access to caring professionals who can help create and execute your plans.

Our multi-lingual staff understands the importance of considering each client's specific situation and developing a customized, holistic approach that will help them meet their goals. We also work closely with existing advisors and often serve in a quarterback role to ensure that your goals are met.





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