Capitas Private Wealth Team



The local Capitas Support Team along with the national Private Wealth Centers can provide case consultation and planning options to enable financial advisors to enhance their practices by effectively integrating life insurance into the client's overall estate, business or financial plans.

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Executive Compensation Planning Advanced Estate Planning

Business Continuation Planning Financial Product Analysis & Design

Retirement Planning Relationship Management

BIOGRAPHY

Richard is a Director of Private Wealth at The Smith Companies, a partner firm of Capitas Financial, Inc. Richard's responsibilities include relationship management, advanced case design, wealth transfer and asset protection. He is integral in assisting Financial Advisors and their clients on complex estate planning and wealth transfer issues while implementing the use of life, long term care, and disability insurance. He also provides training to Financial Advisors and speaks frequently at seminars regarding sales ideas utilizing insurance for risk management.

Richard brings over 25 years of experience in the financial services industry. Prior to joining Capitas Financial in 2011, Richard began his financial career with J&W Seligman as a Tax and Compliance Advisor. In 1999, he joined SunGard Investment Management Systems where he was a lead consultant for one of the largest investment accounting systems operating today. Richard then joined Brian K Adams & Associates in 2003 and worked as the Insurance Planning Specialist for Smith Barney in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. He has also successfully operated as an Insurance and Estate Planning Specialist to UBS, Wells Fargo and other independent financial institutions.

Richard graduated from Villanova University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. He holds the CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ certification along with the Chartered Life Underwriter® and Chartered Financial Consultant® designations. He currently resides in Red Bank, New Jersey with his wife and three children.

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Wealth Transfer
Advanced Planning

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Damien comes to Capitas with a technical background in finance, and has been working with the Smith Companies and Capitas Financial since 2002. Damien is a member of our advanced planning department which includes our estate planning attorneys, Paul Stevenson and Gary Lee.

Damien holds a M.S. degree in Finance as well as a M.S. in Financial Planning from the McCallum Graduate School of Business and a B.A. in Finance from Bentley College. Damien is a Chartered Financial Consultant® as well as Chartered Life Underwriter®, and is currently pursuing his CFP® designation. Damien resides with his wife Megan in North Andover, Massachusetts.

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