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MEMBER DIRECTORY

Meet Our Community of Advisors and Chapter Leaders

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Letter From Our President

Fellow EPI Denver Members,

One of the greatest strengths of the Denver Chapter is the community we've built around a shared commitment to helping business owners create valuable companies, prepare for successful transitions, and build meaningful lives beyond their businesses.

The real value of this chapter isn't simply who is in the room and what we learn - it's what happens when we connect with one another and activate our CEPA® designations.

This Member Directory is designed to make those connections easier. I encourage you to use it as more than a list of names. Learn more about your fellow members, understand the expertise represented across our chapter, and look for opportunities to collaborate, make introductions, share resources, and support one another as we help our clients build significant companies.

Throughout this year, we've continued to focus on creating opportunities for meaningful connection - from our educational programs and Peer Shares to Triads, social events, and conversations that extend well beyond our scheduled meetings.

As we head into the final months of 2026 and begin looking toward 2027, I hope you'll continue to lean into this community. Reach out to someone you haven't met yet. Reconnect with someone you haven't spoken with recently. And when you see an opportunity to help another member, make the introduction.

The more we invest in one another, the stronger this chapter becomes—and the more value we can ultimately bring to the business owners we serve.

Thank you for being part of the EPI Denver community.

Sincerely,

Wally



Jason *"Wally" Waldron*
Founder & President, Exitology

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Chapter President

Jason “Wally” Waldron, CEPA®

Exitology, Founder & CEO
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Jason “Wally” Waldron is the secret weapon behind owners, founders, and CEOs of B2B companies who use his unique profit acceleration strategies to grow faster and maximize the value of their business. When these owners feel trapped in their business, Exitology allows them to buy back their time and freedom. He lives in the mountains of Evergreen, Colorado, with his wife and two children.



Chapter Vice President

Steven Blazek

BMO Private Bank, Managing Director, Private Wealth Advisor
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Steven is a lead advisor to high-net-worth individuals, families, and businesses, helping them align financial plans with their goals. He engages a Client Strategy Team to create dynamic strategies for wealth planning, philanthropy, and business transitions. With 33 years in financial services, he joined the firm in 2022. Steven holds a finance degree from Iowa State and serves on the Rocky Mountain Exit Planning Institute board, with past roles at Colorado Ballet and Rotary Club of Denver Mile High.



Board Member

Benjamin Bender, CEPA®

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Benjamin Bender is a Partner & Wealth Advisor with Carson Wealth and a Certified Exit Planning Advisor who helps business owners align their personal, financial, and business goals. As both an advisor and business owner, he understands the complexities of succession planning, having transitioned his own business and acquired another. At Carson Wealth, he provides exit planning, tax strategies, and financial guidance to help owners protect their legacy and exit on their terms.



Board Member

Shina Culberson, CEPA®, CFA®

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As the President of Quist, Shina brings over three decades of financial and valuation experience to her leadership and guidance of the firm. Shina graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Economics from Claremont McKenna College, holds the CFA designation, and is a Certified Exit Planning Advisor working with clients to successfully transition their businesses. Shina is on the faculty with the Exit Planning Institute, teaching the valuation section of its CEPA designation. Quist Valuation provides business valuation services for entrepreneurs and professional advisors. Over its 40 years in business, Quist has honed its approach to meet the client where they are along their business owner journey.

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George Helock

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George Helock is a Managing Director at LCG Advisors, leading the firm's Western expansion and Regional HQ in Denver. LCG is a national transaction services firm, supporting lower/middle-market family-founder led businesses, investors, and lenders in buying, selling and financing. Services include investment banking, quality of earnings, lender due diligence, valuations, investigations, and CFO/IT consulting. Previously, George opened and ran the Colorado Market for an accounting advisory firm, scaling the team from 3 to 55 after beginning his career at Deloitte. His board service includes ACG Denver, EPI Denver, and Treasurer of First Tee – Colorado Rocky Mountains.



Board Member

Steven Kohnke

Denver Business Coach, CEO & Value Growth Advisor
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Steven Kohnke is a Value Growth Advisor and CEO of Denver Business Coach, helping service-based businesses under $20M grow enterprise value and scale. His firm improves people, processes, performance, and strategy, aligning the three legs of the stool—business, personal, and financial goals—for maximum results. Unlike high-level advisors, Steven and his team work hands-on weekly with business owners to ensure measurable progress toward exit goals 3-5 years out from an exit.



Board Member

Rachel Kramarchuk, CEPA®

Carson Wealth, Partner & Wealth Advisor
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Rachel is a Wealth Advisor with Carson Wealth. Passionate about entrepreneurship, she particularly enjoys working with small business owners. As a Certified Exit Planning Advisor, she has contributed to the growth of the firm's Succession Planning services, helping business owners align their personal, business, and financial goals to help ensure they are well-prepared for a smooth transition when the time comes. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Colorado and an MBA from California Lutheran University.



Board Member

Bob Lee, CFP®, AEP®, CEPA®

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Bob guides business owners through a strategic process to plan for expected and unexpected transitions. He designs customized investment and exit strategies tailored to clients' financial situations, business dynamics, and family goals. Using expertise in financial and estate planning, wealth management, and tax-advantaged strategies, he helps clients navigate life transitions. Bob's goal is to build long-term relationships, crafting comprehensive plans to safeguard wealth and legacy. With a team approach, he coordinates top experts in valuation, exit, estate, tax, risk, and wealth planning, ensuring business value converts to personal wealth for a secure future.

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Alison McQuillan, CEPA®

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With a foundation in theoretical math (BA) and business administration (MBA), Alison has established herself as a transformational leader focused on architecting core business functions that drive substantial increases in corporate valuation and EBITDA performance for middle market businesses. Throughout her 25-year career, Alison has distinguished herself as a strategic change agent who excels at implementing sustainable solutions, designed for creating maximum efficiency.

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WHY MARINER?

MARINER

Values
The Mariner team interacts with clients and colleagues by exemplifying our values of Excellence, Caring, Belonging, Abundance, Keep Promises, Loyalty and Optimism.

Community Impact
The Mariner Foundation started in 2009 with a mission to improve lives by educating, creating, bridging and equipping individuals and organizations with tools and opportunities. Since its inception, the foundation has awarded more than $7.8 million to over 1,100 organizations.

Services
We deliver a client-first experience through our **One Mariner Approach**: wealth planning, estate planning and trust services, nstitutional services, tax planning and specialty tax services, investment IQ, investment banking and insurance solutions.

Business owners choose Mariner when they:

- Are unsure how much they need to "net" from the sale of their busines
- Feel like they are not receiving proactive ideas to reduce their income taxes
- Are frustrated by having to try to coordinate the advice of various advisors
- Don't have a vision for what life will look like after they exit their business
- Are unsure how they will continue to "get paid" after they sell their business

Access is everything. That's why Mariner advisors have access to a team of support for wealth planning, investment advisory, estate, tax, insurance, and more. Together, we find sophisticated solutions to complex wealth challenges.

For more information visit: www.mariner.com

UBS

Thompson, Singor & Cimmino

At the core of the Thompson, Singor & Cimmino wealth management practice is a team of highly credentialed, tenured professionals dedicated to serving our clients. Client relationships are paramount to us, and we prioritize addressing every aspect that matters to them. Drawing on the extensive resources of UBS, we create bespoke financial plans to empower them to confidently realize their goals, lower their taxes, and advance their philanthropic efforts. We do not fit them into our box but build one around them. Amid life's complexities, we stand as steadfast partners, creating calm and anticipating needs to fortify their financial future. Through our proactive service model our clients always know when their next scheduled meeting is, this provides a continuous stream of advice and insights to navigate the ever-evolving complexities of life.

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Denver Business Coach

For Business Owners, from Business Owners
Long days, dealing with customers, stagnant growth, little support…it's easy to let day-to-day problems get in the way of the freedom you envisioned when you started your business.

You know that a solution is out there—a new system or process, a better team, a strategic plan–but with all the treading water you're doing in the business right now, the solutions feel practically impossible to find.

At Denver Business Coach, we get it.

Our team of business coaches and advisors have all run businesses from start-up to exit, so we don't just understand the issues that you're facing right now, we've worked through them ourselves.

Since 2011, we've helped hundreds of business owners just like you build valuable businesses that deliver time, freedom, and financial success.

We're committed to helping you reach your goals and build a stronger, self-sustaining business.

Colorado Gives Foundation

Who We Are
We are the Colorado Gives Foundation (formerly Community First Foundation). We connect people, ideas and nonprofits. We are a Jeffco grantmaker and statewide we invest to build the capacity of nonprofits and donors through online fundraising on ColoradoGives.org. We also support nonprofit endowments and donor services to help make a greater impact.

What We Believe
We believe that a community is built by connection, and everyone can make good happen. Together, we strive to build resilient, connected and thriving communities, which is good for everyone.

What We Do
Colorado Gives Foundation is a community foundation (a 501(c)(3) public charity) dedicated to improving the lives of people in a defined geographic area. We work statewide to help donors, whether they are individuals, organizations, or corporations, with giving accounts that fulfill their charitable interests. We also make grants to nonprofits serving Jefferson County to ensure that all of Jeffco is thriving. Unlike other community foundations, we also run an online giving platform – ColoradoGives.org – that connects donors to nonprofits across the state of Colorado and powers a giving day every December called Colorado Gives Day.

RubinBrown

Certified Public Accountants & Business Consultants. RubinBrown is one of the nation's leading accounting and professional consulting firms with a commitment to building personal relationships and delivering totally satisfied clients.

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Attorneys



Aaron Burton

Fairfield & Woods, Attorney
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Aaron represents clients in trust and estate planning, administration, and litigation, as well as in complex tax and business law matters. His practice focuses on guiding individuals, families, and businesses through sophisticated estate planning strategies, trust administration, and fiduciary matters.



Michael Dolan

Polsinelli, Shareholder | M&A Attorney
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Michael Dolan is an attorney whose practice focuses on mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, and majority and minority recapitalizations.
Mike has helped dozens of business owners sell or recapitalize their companies. In those transactions, Mike typically works with the business owner's network of advisors to help evaluate options, navigate the sale process, and execute transactions in a way that aligns with the owner's business and personal goals.



Bill Peffer

Taft LLP | Partner
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Bill Peffer is a Partner at Taft and chairs Taft's Mountain West Business group, leading 40+ attorneys across eight offices. Bill is a deal jockey who helps business owners successfully navigate mergers and acquisitions, corporate financings, and general corporate matters by bringing a pragmatic, practical, and closing-focused approach to each transaction. Bill is honored to currently serve on the Board of Directors of MENTOR Colorado and the Biennial of the Americas.

Business Brokers



Carolyn Ryan, MBA

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Carolyn is a Founding Partner at Main Ascent | Business Brokers & Advisors as well as an Advisory Partner in three family-owned enterprises. With over 20 years in global CPG, primarily with Colorado brands, Celestial Seasonings and Gaiam, Carolyn brings deep industry experience and business acumen to guide clients through transactions and growth strategies.

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Business Brokers (cont'd)



Owen Nieberg

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Over 30 years of M&A, operational management, and management consulting experience. Former consultant specializing in growth strategy, new business development, and operational improvements that increase revenue and profitability, leading to greater business valuations. Former COO of family business for 10 years, growing the company from 3 offices to eight, achieving a more than 3-fold increase in value, and eventually managing a successful 8-figure sale to a private equity firm. Earned both an MBA and a BBA at the University of Texas at Austin, graduating summa cum laude in both programs.

Business Coach



Michael Cushman

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Michael Cushman brings a fresh and valuable perspective to exit planning and business transitions. With a passion for helping today's businesses avoid becoming tomorrow's dinosaurs, Michael specializes in making exits more valuable by integrating future-readiness into strategic planning. He provides clear foresight and actionable strategies tailored specifically to each business, enhancing value at critical transition points.



Angela Falcini

Experiencing Potential, Executive & Team Coach
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Angela Falcini is a Professional Certified Coach for executives and teams (ICF PCC, ACTC) and a trusted advisor to senior executives and C-suite teams to navigate complex transitions, improve engagement, and focus on growth and transformation. Angela spent 30 years of dedicated service to the United States, both as an officer in the US Air Force and as a civilian with the US Navy. With a strong background in Program Management, she has led diverse teams of engineers, finance professionals, and contracts specialists across multiple disciplines. Angela has coached executives and teams through organizational change, alignment to purpose and goals, and strengthened team commitment. Leading programs ranging from building aircraft, environmental partnerships, and information technology systems, Angela is agile in leadership, communication, team dynamics, and relationship-building, leveraging these skills to foster trust, accelerate progress, and reduce costs in organizational transitions and capability delivery.

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Business Consultant



Laura Baker

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Laura Baker is the Co-Founder and Executive Director of CyberWyoming, where she leads statewide initiatives to help average citizens, microbusinesses, and organizations understand and manage their cybersecurity risks. As the Executive Director of CyberWyoming, she oversees programs that promote cybersecurity awareness, workforce development, and community resilience. Her work includes managing the Cybersecurity Competition for Small Businesses (aka Made Safe Cybersecurity Business Training Program), advancing practical cybersecurity education for Wyoming's business community, and developing workforce pathways through tech and business advisor cybersecurity apprenticeship programs.



Dan Bowdey, CEPA®

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Dan is a Value & Transition Advisor and former Kaizen consultant at Kodak. He acquired two 7-figure businesses and exited both at 8-figures. After 5 years in consulting, he transitioned into business coaching and exit planning. Through his "No Regrets Business Transition Planning®" program, Dan uses Value Builder™ assessments and Focal Point Coaching curriculum to help owners close gaps in Clarity, Effectiveness, Growth, Sales, and Leadership.



Jonathon Castner

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Jonathon is a strategic filmmaker based in Denver Colorado specializing in producing stories that inspire, engage and motivate the viewer, producing an emotional and intellectual connection.
From script to screen, concept to creation, Jonathon builds a bridge between the client and their customers through deep research into both the company and the people who need them. The goal is revelation - to let that customer come into a new world where they are eager to do business with people who they now know, like and trust.



Adam Hill, CEPA®

Extra Life Enterprises, Owner
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Adam Hill is a family business visionary, Professional EOS Implementer, certified exit planning advisor, international keynote speaker, and host of the Fearless Family Business Podcast. As the former CEO of his family's fourth-generation company, Adam led a transformation from near bankruptcy to nine-figure sustainability. Today, he equips family business owners and CEOs with proven frameworks to align leadership, strengthen governance, maximize value, and build generational freedom.

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Sean Hutchinson, CEPA®

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Sean Hutchinson is a partner at Ready for Next, helping U.S. and Canadian business owners increase enterprise value and achieve transition readiness. A CEPA® since 2008 and faculty member since 2014, he was honored as Exit Planner of the Year and inducted into the EPI Hall of Fame. Recognized as a top thought leader in exit planning, he holds a Master of Arts from Miami University of Ohio.



TJ Kern

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TJ Kern is a 40-year veteran of commercial banking and has worked with hundreds of small businesses and their owners across the Front Range of Colorado. TJ continues this important work through Timberline Business Advisors, which he launched in March 2025 to provide fractional CFO, exit planning, and M&A advisory services to businesses with annual revenues of $25MM or less. TJ's banking career included 15 years of cash flow lending and senior debt to PE firms acquiring SMBs across various industries. This experience allows TJ to look at small businesses through the lens of both a lender and a buyer, which brings significant value to his clients.



James Norton, CEPA®

Fourteener Strategies, Managing Principal
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James Norton is the Managing Principal of Fourteener Strategies, a Denver-based consultancy specializing in business strategy, fractional CFO services, and exit planning. He holds both the CEPA and CM&AA designations and brings deep experience in financial leadership and operational improvement. James serves on the board of the Mile High Chapter of the Association of Legal Administrators and is passionate about helping business owners build value and plan successful transitions.



Charlie Warden

Warden Strategy, Managing Partner
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Charlie Warden is the Managing Partner of Warden Strategy, a revenue strategy firm based in Denver. He works with lower market B2B companies as a fractional CGO and GTM strategist, helping them think differently about growth, build modern digital infrastructure, & implement revenue engines designed to scale beyond the founder. Charlie has led go-to-market for companies across SaaS, tech, telecom, & professional services, with a track record of turning early traction into scalable operations.

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David Wechsler, CEPA®

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With over 40 years of business experience spanning several industry verticals, David brings a wealth of wisdom and valuable insights to his clients' businesses. With early tenures on Wall Street, Madison Avenue and Silicon Valley, he honed his diverse skills as a Senior Director, CEO and COO with several small to medium sized multi-unit businesses as well as publicly traded (NASDAQ) company. His has demonstrated success in leading organizations and management teams through initial start-up, transition, rapid growth and exit as a certified business coach & facilitator, CEPA, and M&A advisor (CM&AP).

Charitable Gifts



Jeremy Stern

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With 20+ years in the nonprofit sector, Jeremy specializes in philanthropy, estate planning, donor relations, fundraising, event management, and community engagement. He is passionate about crafting customized donor plans that align with creating impact. His goal is to collaborate with you and your clients to simplify giving. Jeremy manages relationships with professional advisors at Colorado Gives Foundation, a community foundation dedicated to connecting people, ideas, and nonprofits.

CPAs | Accountants | CFOs



Jay Forester

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Jay Forester is a Tax Director at Kurtz Fargo and specializes in state and local tax (SALT), with more than 13 years of experience advising clients on complex multistate tax matters. He focuses on multi-state tax consulting, with deep expertise in indirect tax, including sales and use tax compliance, process improvement, and automation. He has worked extensively with clients in the software, construction, manufacturing and distribution, and consumer goods industries, bringing a practical, business-oriented approach to solving complex tax challenges.



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Carter's life long career in financial management and accounting has provided a great opportunity to help Denver, Boulder and other Colorado based businesses achieve success. He particularly enjoys assisting business owners work toward financial abundance through proactive forward thinking and resolving issues. Specialties include Capital formation, Forecasting and planning, Key performance measurement, Financial reporting and analysis, Merger and acquisition strategies.

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A strategic CPA and finance leader with over 15 years of experience across audit, technical accounting, and client advisory services. Kyle specializes in helping businesses, including ESOPs, strengthen their financial operations and drive a culture of ownership. His expertise includes leading audit and accounting engagements, providing strategic consulting solutions, and helping companies with their long-term financial strategies. He provides advice on technical GAAP issues and support investor-facing reporting.



Tim McCormack

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Tim McCormack is a Partner in RubinBrown's Private Equity Services Group with more than 10 years of experience serving clients. He provides transaction due diligence assistance to clients in the technology, manufacturing and distribution, services, hospitality, private equity and healthcare industries.
He previously conducted public company audits and other assurance-related services for clients primarily in the software, telecommunication and consumer goods industries. Tim has been involved in due diligence engagements with an aggregate deal value in excess of $8 billion. Tim currently specializes in middle and lower-middle market transactions.



Sam Wigand, CEPA®, CFP®, CPA®

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Sam Wigand co-founded Wigand Integrated Tax & Advisory to align tax strategy with comprehensive wealth management. A former CPA at PwC and advisor at Merrill Lynch, he brings experience from both public and family-owned firms. Sam holds CPA, CFP®, and CEPA® credentials and is pursuing the CAIA UniFi. He's deeply committed to clients and community, serving on multiple nonprofit boards.

Digital Marketing & Asset Protection



Paige Wiese

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Paige Wiese is Founder & CEO of Tree Ring Digital, a Denver-based digital agency specializing in M&A digital infrastructure. She created the Digital Continuity System™ and Digital Asset Protection™ to help businesses protect, transfer, and increase the value of their digital assets through transactions. Tree Ring Digital serves 2,000+ clients nationally with website development, digital marketing, and transaction-focused services.

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Andrew Fejer

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Andrew Fejer is a Managing Director at Lazear Capital, leading the Mountain States for ESOP originations and extending his expertise to business owners nationwide. With more than 20 years of experience in private credit, and commercial and corporate banking, he helps privately held companies access capital, manage growth, and plan for complex ownership transitions.
Throughout his career with BOK Financial, Lafayette Square, HSBC, and JPMorgan Chase, Andrew has developed a deep understanding of the financial, operational, and strategic challenges business owners face. His experience across diverse industries positions him as a trusted advisor to companies throughout Colorado and the broader Rocky Mountain region.



Lincoln Franke, CEPA®

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Lincoln focuses on partnering with advisors to assist them better serving their business owner client's retirement plans and selling their business through an ESOP.
Whether the goal is optimizing retirement plans, reducing taxes, catching up on retirement savings, improving employee retention, or maximizing the net proceeds from the sale of a business utilizing the benefits of an ESOP, Lincoln has been the partner of choice for financial advisors and their clients for 34 years.

Exit Planners & Value Advisors



Evan Faber, CEPA®, CVGA®

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Evan Faber helps business owners answer a deceptively simple question: What does my business need to be worth for the life I want for my family?
As a leader at Generosity Wealth, Evan works with owners of substantial privately held businesses to understand what their business is worth today, what could make it more valuable and transferable, and what they ultimately need it to provide for themselves and their families.
Today, Evan works alongside an owner's existing CPAs, attorneys, bankers, M&A advisors, and other specialists to connect business value, personal wealth, and succession around one plan.



Brad Whitehead, CEPA®

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Brad Whitehead is a management consultant, leadership coach, and exit planning advisor. As a Certified EOS® Implementer, he has helped 50+ organizations integrate EOS® to align vision, drive action, and ensure accountability. A Certified Exit Planning Advisor, he has worked across industries, including construction, professional services, and retail. With experience as a COO and private equity consultant, Brad holds degrees from Wake Forest and an MBA from Georgia Tech.

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Investment Bankers



Kristy Marshall

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Kristy works at the intersection of founders, advisors, and strategic capital with a focus on building meaningful relationships with the professionals who serve business owners — wealth managers, CPAs, attorneys, and trusted advisors — and helping connect them to the insights and resources their clients need as their businesses grow and evolve. With a background that spans wealth management, entrepreneurship, and corporate strategy. As a former business owner who successfully exited, Kristy understands firsthand the emotional weight and financial complexity of navigating inflection points.



Pierce Schell

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Pierce Schell joined GLC Advisors as an Associate in 2025. Prior to GLC, Pierce was an associate at Littlejohn Capital where he supported portfolio operations and add-on transactions. Prior to Littlejohn, Pierce worked for RBC Capital Markets and Forvis LLP working on sell-side and buy-side M&A for middle-market companies.



William "Bill" Thode

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Bill is an investment banker and attorney with 28 years of experience successfully advising business owners in a variety of M&A transactions, primarily on the sell side. He is the Managing Director at Charter Commercial Investment Group, LLC. He is a Certified Business Intermediary, Certified Mergers & Acquisitions Advisor, and holds a Series 79, 82 and 63.

Mergers & Acquisitions Advisors



Scott Casper

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Scott brings an extensive background in Corporate Development and M&A dealmaking to the EQA team. Since his early days in Corporate Development at Dish Network, Scott has always had a penchant for identifying actionable opportunities and executing transactions. He enjoys the process and cumulative work required to get a deal done, and his focus has always been on taking the right action at the right time. Prior to joining EQA, Scott led numerous deal teams for various public and private companies, driving and completing accretive acquisitions and fortifying long-term business strategies.

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Morgan is the Director of Accounting/ Finance team at LCG Advisors. Focused on helping buy side and sell side in M&A. Working with business owners with operational accounting and strategy centered projects. We specialize in all things due diligence including Quality of Earnings, valuations, tax strategy, and advisory.

Revenue Operations / Sales Process



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Robert fixes broken sales machines for companies in the manufacturing, industrial, and distribution verticals. He partners with Exit Planners to grow revenue, company value, and bring owners to their desired exit. Utilizing his 25 years of experience in sales, sales leadership, and operations in manufacturing and distribution, he provides a path to both growth and freedom for his clients. Together, a customized Sales Engine is created for their business to drive long-term, sustainable revenue growth.

Wealth Managers & Financial Advisors



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Dana has been helping clients attain financial security for 25 years. She works hand-in-hand with each client, employing a consultative style, disciplined process, and comprehensive approach to guide them in reaching their financial goals. Dana especially enjoys the relationships she has developed with clients. Dedicated to providing clients with the best possible advice, Dana has attained a high level of proficiency and earned prestigious certifications as a Financial Advisor. She has unique qualifications and expertise to advise business owners, investors, and founders to align their business, personal, and financial goals to enhance enterprise value and increase readiness for potential transitions.



Malcolm Aylett, CEPA®

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The focus of Malcolm's practice is on the sometimes complex needs of busy (frequently female) executives, business owners and entrepreneurs who need a financial partner to work with them on preparing for their retirement. His own experience with divorce also led to a focus on the needs of divorcees in his practice.

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Wealth Managers & Financial Advisors (cont'd)



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Michael Brady, is the founder of Generosity Wealth Management and The Generosity Group, based in Boulder, Colorado, with over 34 years of financial industry experience. He specializes in guiding business owners through wealth, estate, and exit planning, leveraging his Certified Exit Planning Advisor (CEPA) and Certified Value Growth Advisor (CVGA) credentials to align their wealth with purpose. Mike actively markets to attract business owners, offering tailored strategies for value-building and transitions, while engaging at a high level with consultants due to his advanced expertise.



Marc Cimmino, CEPA®

UBS Financial Services, Financial Advisor
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Marc Cimmino is a Senior Vice President and Financial Advisor who specializes in investment strategy, tax-efficient planning, and business exit strategies. In 2018, Marc joined a veteran advisory team from UBS in Norfolk, Virginia. Within the team, he leads efforts in investment management, tax strategy, and exit planning—working closely with clients' accountants, attorneys, and other professionals to deliver coordinated, comprehensive, and tax-efficient wealth plans. In 2022, Marc was selected to expand the team's presence in Denver, Colorado, to better serve clients across the western U.S.



Gary Curran

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Gary Curran is a consultative financial and management professional specializing in Mergers & Acquisitions. His 40 years of professional experience encompasses mergers & acquisitions, business ownership, corporate finance, and business development. He greatly values the importance of being professional and ethical in all aspects of relationships and engagements.



Matt Danaher, CFP®, CEPA®

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Matt specializes in helping pre-retirees, young professionals, and business owners imagine what their next chapter could look like and build a strategy to help make it possible. Whether clients are preparing for retirement, growing wealth, or planning for a business transition, Matt focuses on delivering personalized advice designed around each client's unique situation.
Matt has spent the past 10 years in the financial services industry. He began his career at Charles Schwab in customer service before moving to the trading desk and ultimately becoming a financial advisor seven years ago. That experience gave him a strong foundation in both the technical and personal sides of wealth management.

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With over 20 years of experience at Citigroup, Merrill Lynch, and William Blair, Ted serves as a key resource for business owners. He leverages the capabilities of the firm and his extensive network of professional experts to help solve the complex situations owners face today. He is well-versed in all stages of the wealth creation cycle, allowing him to engage in a wholistic conversation around investing, risk management, financial planning, tax and estate considerations, and family dynamics.



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Gary works as a team with other advisors to help business owners move from thinking of their business as an income generator to building enterprise value. A big component of post-ownership planning is developing a purpose-driven, goals-oriented next phase plan and aligning the goals with cash flow requirements. By starting the planning process a couple of years ahead, business owners can better prepare for the transition personally, understand what they want in the sale or transfer, and better protect and maximize their business value.

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As a Wealth Advisor, Scott helps clients achieve their financial goals through personalized strategies in investment management, retirement planning, tax optimization, and estate planning. He enjoys partnering with business owners to navigate the personal and financial aspects of exiting their business—a transition that often involves parting with their life's work. His goal is to help them plan thoughtfully and proactively so they can move forward with clarity, purpose, and peace of mind.



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Dale and the Law & Associates Group leverage Merrill's global resources to provide comprehensive wealth management services. With 15+ years as an operations executive and co-founder in Colorado, Dale has worked with angel investors, private equity, and non-dilutive capital to drive growth. He uses his expertise to help business owners build valuable companies, strengthen financial plans, and align personal goals with potential business sales.



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Dane helps business owners build real wealth by integrating business strategy, tax planning, and personal financial planning into one cohesive plan. As a CPA, CFP®, and CEPA®, and a business owner, Dane works at the intersection of growth, risk management, and exit planning—starting day one, not at the finish line. His approach centers the business as the primary wealth-building asset, helping owners increase profitability, maximize value, and plan for life beyond the business on their terms.

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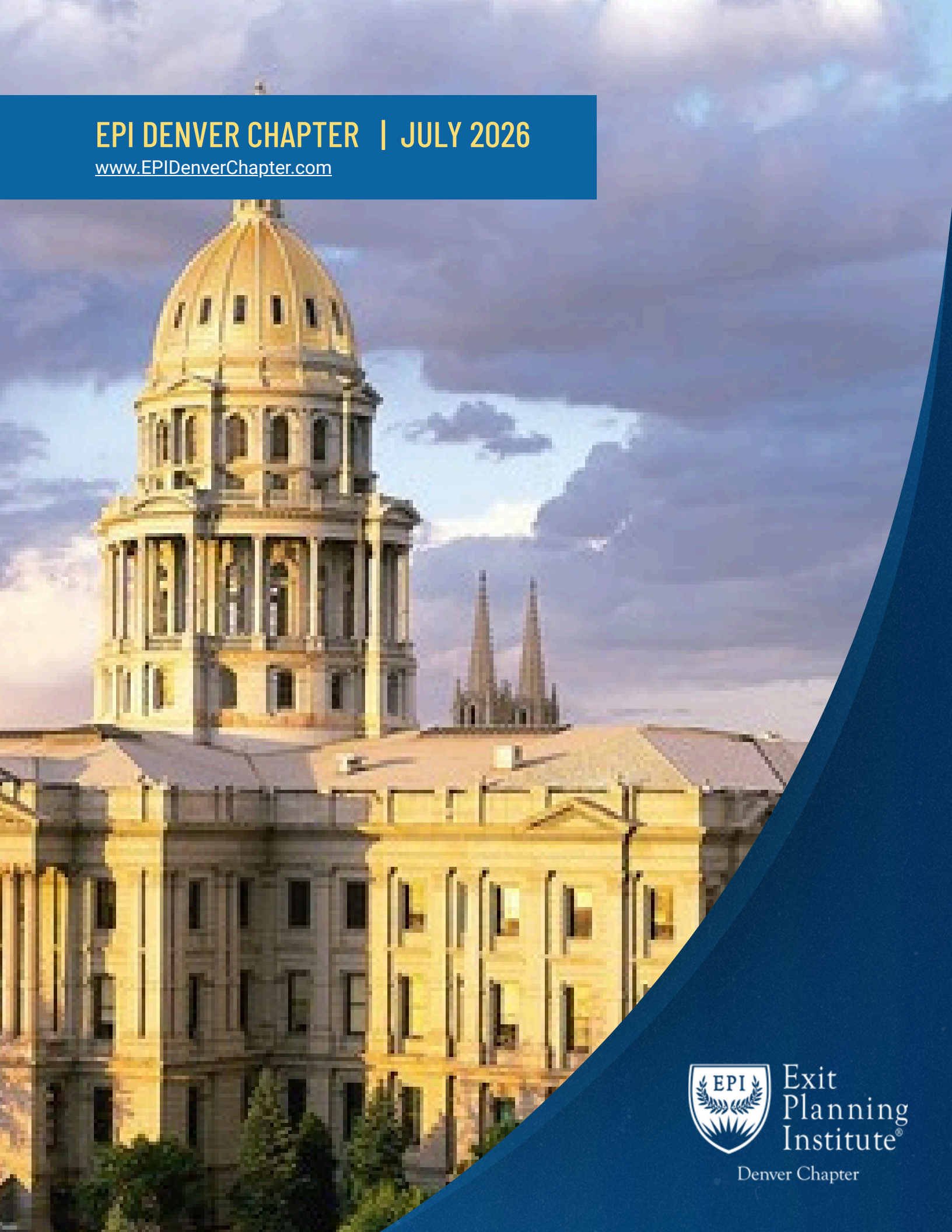
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