

Top 9 Financial Advisors in St. Louis, MO

2016 RANKING OF TOP WEALTH ADVISORS

Finding the Top Financial Advisor in St. Louis, MO

When it comes to finding a financial advisor, ordinary investors, retirees, business entities and high net worth individuals and families in Clayton, Des Peres, or anywhere else across St. Louis all agree on one thing: They are looking for St. Louis financial advisors that can offer them independent, unbiased, conflict of interest-free advice!

With so many choices of advisory firms out there, that search can sometimes get overwhelming; and that's why we've assembled this list of top financial advisors in St. Louis, MO. Our objective was to scan the universe of wealth managers, investment advisors, and financial planners across St. Louis and the surrounding areas and review the firms we think deserve to be considered in your search.

We believe this list of top financial advisors in St. Louis will give you a great start in finding and working with an advisor that's right for you. Good luck in your search!



AdvisoryHQ's List of the Best Financial Advisors in St. Louis

- **Acropolis Investment Management**
- **Cambridge Capital Management**
- **Droms Strauss Wealth Management**
- **HM Capital Management**
- **Matter Family Office**
- **North American Management**
- **Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC**
- **Plancorp, LLC**
- **Zemenick & Walker, Inc.**

List is sorted alphabetically (click any of the names above to go directly to the detailed review section for that advisor)

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Firm	Location
Acropolis Investment Management	St. Louis
Cambridge Capital Management	St. Louis
Drom Strauss Advisors	St. Louis
HM Capital Management	Clayton
Matter Family Office	St. Louis
North American Management	St. Louis
Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC	Des Peres
Plancorp, LLC	St. Louis
Zemenick & Walker, Inc.	Clayton/St. Louis

Methodology | Financial Advisors – St. Louis, MO

What methodology did we use in selecting this list of best St. Louis financial advisors and top wealth managers in Missouri?

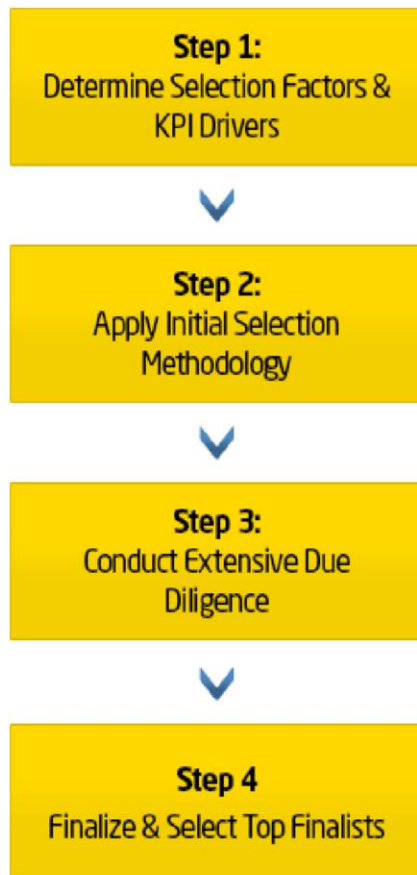
Using publicly available sources, AdvisoryHQ identified a wide range of financial advisors, asset and wealth managers, and financial planners that provide services in St. Louis and surrounding areas.

We then applied AdvisoryHQ's [Breakthrough Selection Methodology](#) to identify the final list of top advisors that provide services to communities in and around St. Louis, Missouri.

Methodologies For Selecting Top Advisors/Wealth Managers

Breakthrough Top-Down Methodology

ADVISORYHQ



VS

Traditional Process

Other Firms



Total Generated Fees

Largest Firms

Highest Managed Assets

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Detailed Review – Top Ranking Financial Advisors in St. Louis, Missouri

Below, please find the detailed review of each firm on our list of top advisors and financial planners in St. Louis. We have highlighted some of the factors that allowed these St. Louis financial advisory firms to score so high in our selection ranking.

Acropolis Investment Management Review

[Acropolis Investment Management](#) was officially established as an independent wealth manager in St. Louis in 1999. However, the founding principals have a strong professional relationship that stretches way before that. The objective of creating the company was to deliver trusted advice, foster personal and long-term relationships with clients, and help clients realize their financial and lifestyle goals.

The company acts as a leading wealth management firm in St. Louis and to clients in over 34 states across the U.S. Their clients comprise of three broad categories of investors, including:

- Private clients (high net-worth individuals), which includes assisting business owners plan and manage transition through the Acropolis Business Liquidity for Entrepreneurs (A.B.L.E.) program
- Company-sponsored retirement plans (usually 401(k) plans)
- Institutional investors, which, with the help of its Bank Services Group, helps bring the company's expertise as a skilled St. Louis wealth manager to the banking industry

Acropolis Investment Management has established itself as one of the top ranked wealth managers in St. Louis, with private client assets under its management swirling from \$100 million in 2003 to over \$250 million by 2005. The company now has over \$1 billion of client assets under its management.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following factors were instrumental in rating Acropolis Investment Management as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Independent Advisory Services:

As an independent St. Louis financial advisor, the Acropolis team ensures that it is free from the encumbrances associated with being affiliated with third-party institutions. This means the company's advisors are free to recommend the best products and services that meet clients' needs, without conflict of interest or bias.

Fee-only Wealth Manager:

The firm operates as a fee-only wealth management firm in St. Louis. This ensures that clients are charged in relationship with the advice they receive and the value of the portfolios they entrust with the firm's advisors.

Fiduciary Duty:

Acropolis Investment Management is a wealth manager in St. Louis with a fiduciary duty toward its clients. As Center for Fiduciary Excellence (CEFEX) designation holders, the company is committed to offering advice and recommendations that are always in the best interest of its clients.

Experienced Team:

The company brings together a team of highly experienced members who have wide ranging expertise in a broad array of wealth management and financial advisory fields.

The team includes Registered Investment Advisor Representatives, Certified Financial Planners (CFP), Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Charterholders, a Certified Exit Planning Advisor (CEPA), a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certificate in Performance Measurement (CIPM) holders, and a Certified Retirement Planning Counselor (CRPC)—all of whom are supported by a team of appropriately qualified administrators.

All of these skills are brought to bear when advising clients and assisting them to meet their financial objectives.

Disciplined Investment Processes:

As a highly regarded St. Louis wealth management firm, the Acropolis team has put in place disciplined processes to manage client wealth by removing the emotional aspects of investing from the process. This approach has dramatic positive influences on client portfolios.

Practice What They Preach:

Acropolis Investment Management is one of the few wealth management firms in St. Louis that follows the same advice that they offer to clients. By investing alongside their clients, using the same strategies and approaches recommended to clients, the company underlines the confidence that it has in its own advice.

Cambridge Capital Management Review

[Cambridge Capital Management](#) is an independent financial advisor operating in St. Louis, MO, and O'Fallon, IL. The company was established in 1999 as an affiliate of Diel & Forguson Financial Group, a well-regarded and established firm of chartered accountants.

The primary goal of the firm and its advisory team is to deliver a full suite of financial planning, retirement plan consulting and investment services to its clients.

Committed to providing transparent and highly personalized services to its clients, Cambridge Capital Management was among the first fee-only investment advisors and financial planners in St. Louis. Through its two offices, the company delivers a range of customized services to clients all across the country, including:

- Retirement planning
- Estate planning
- Investment management
- Charitable planning
- Risk protection
- Education funding
- Tax planning

The company's clients include both businesses as well as individuals needing investment advisory and financial planning services. The firm's partnership with Diel & Ferguson Financial Group enables its clients to access a much broader network of professional resources, which adds value to the core services that the Cambridge Capital team delivers.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following key characteristics were considered when rating Cambridge Capital Management as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Independent Registered Investment Advisors (RIA):

As an independent financial advisor in St. Louis, Cambridge Capital Management is free to provide clients advice and recommendations from a much broader universe of products and services than advisors who are affiliated with third-party providers. Additionally, this independent status gives clients the peace of mind that all advice is provided without any conflict of interest.

Fee-only Advisory:

Cambridge Capital is a fee-only investment advisor and financial planner in St. Louis. As such, this differentiates them from advisors who work on a commission basis or from those using a transactional fee model. Cambridge Capital is paid directly by clients for the advice and services provided and does not receive remuneration from any thirdparty institutions.

Comprehensive Approach:

As a top-rated investment advisor and financial planner in St. Louis, the company uses a comprehensive approach in advising its clients. From establishing new client relationships to determining their needs and building and implementing appropriate strategies, clients benefit from the firms' disciplined and coordinated approach.

Fiduciary:

As a Registered Investment Advisor in St. Louis, Cambridge Capital Management is mandated by federal law to uphold the fiduciary standard of accountability to its clients. This standard enforces complete transparency of compensation and demands that advisors always act in their clients' best interest.

Qualified Team:

The highly skilled and experienced team at Cambridge Capital is one reason that the firm is recognized as one of the top St. Louis financial planners. The company brings a number of industry recognized qualifications and credentials to each client engagement, including CFP®—Certified Financial Planner, CVA®—Certified Valuation Analyst, CPA®—Certified Public Accountant, and PFS®—Personal Finance Specialist.

Droms Strauss Wealth Management Review

[Droms Strauss Wealth Management](#) was established by founders and co-chairmen Bill Droms and Steve Strauss in 1994. Today, the company is one of the top-ranked financial advisors in St. Louis, with offices in Missouri and Washington, DC. Commencing from humble beginnings as an extension of a CPA firm based in St. Louis, the company now proudly services clients all across the USA, as well as globally in Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

Droms Strauss Wealth Management offers its clients a range of services, including:

- Financial planning
- Investment management
- Personal wealth management

As a premier financial planner in St. Louis, Droms Strauss Wealth Management uses a highly personalized approach to understanding, defining, and implementing customized financial planning and investment management strategies for its clients.



Central to this strategy is the client’s life, and around it revolves various aspects of the client’s financial vision and life goals, as well as the legacy they would like to leave behind. Unlike many other St. Louis financial planners, who look at each of these components individually, the advisors at Droms Strauss take a holistic approach by integrating all of these disparate aspects into a single strategy.

In doing so, the company effectively takes on the role of a client family’s “Chief Financial Officer,” providing vision and direction on all of the family’s financial and wealth management decisions.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following factors were instrumental in rating Droms Strauss Wealth Management as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Independent Advisors:

The company operates as an independent investment manager and financial advisor in St. Louis, without any affiliation or association to investment brokers, bankers, insurance companies, or money management corporations. Its advisors are therefore free to deliver truly independent, unbiased advice to clients.

Fiduciary Duty to Clients:

Droms Strauss Wealth Management takes its accountability to clients very seriously. As top-rated wealth managers in St. Louis, the company performs annual “best execution” reviews of its investment decisions, ensuring that advisors always act as fiduciaries to their clients when making investment decisions.

Fee-only Advisory Firm:

As a fee-only financial advisor in St. Louis, advisors at Droms Strauss do not receive any commissions, fees, or other transactional remuneration from any third parties. Fees are determined by the assets under the firm’s management and the type of services provided to clients, giving advisors the ability to deliver conflict of interest-free services to clients.

Industry Recognition:

As top-rated financial advisors in St. Louis, Droms Strauss Wealth Management has been recognized by industry watchers and peers alike. The company was recently listed #10 on CNBC’s Top 100 Fee-only Wealth Management Firms in the U.S.

Research-based Investment Philosophy:

Droms Strauss Wealth Management’s success, as premier wealth managers in St. Louis and globally, is partly because of their highly disciplined investment philosophy. Their research-based investment approach recognizes the importance of managing risk, diversifying portfolios, having a long-term focus of the markets, and not attempting to time the markets.

HM Capital Management Review

[HM Capital Management](#) is a fee-only investment and financial advisor in St. Louis. Through its office in Clayton, the firm serves affluent individuals, families, and institutional investors in Missouri and throughout the U.S.

Established in 2005, the firm's genesis actually dates before that, as the founders of the firm had deep professional working relationships before the firm was founded. The decision to create an independent firm of financial planners in St. Louis was a direct result of the firm's founder's deep desire to serve their clients in a fiduciary capacity.

The creation of HM Capital Management afforded the opportunity to not only act as fiduciaries to clients, but to also work with clients in a fee-only advisory capacity, without the need to sell products. This enabled the firm to remain independent, while delivering unbiased advice to its clients.

As top-rated St. Louis Registered Investment Advisors, the company has been recognized for its professionalism and service to its clients. Most recent accolades in 2010 include being recognized by *InvestmentNews*:

- Top 40-Fee-Only Registered Investment Advisor
- Top 20 Fee-Only Emerging Registered Investment Advisor

In their capacity as investment advisors and financial planners in St. Louis, the company provides a range of services to its clients, including building comprehensive financial plans for high net-worth individuals and families, while also helping foundations and institutions with defined benefit, defined contribution, non-qualified Senior Executive Retirement Plans meet the institutional investing challenges that they face.

**Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016
Wealth Advisory Company**

The following facts influenced our rating of HM Capital Management as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Registered Investment Advisor (RIA):

HM Capital Management is a registered investment advisory firm in St. Louis, which binds them to a much higher standard—the fiduciary standard—of care and accountability to clients. As fiduciaries, HM Capital advisors are legally and professionally obligated to always put client interests above all other considerations.

Independent Advisory:

The company is an independent St. Louis financial advisor that acts in a wholly autonomous capacity when it comes to providing advice or making recommendations to its clients. Since HM Capital Management does not sell any products to clients, they are free to recommend products and services, from a wide range of available options, that best fit the needs of their clients.

Fee-only Advisor:

As top-ranked financial advisors in St. Louis, HM Capital Management does not receive any sales commissions or fees from third parties, such as those usually associated with transactional-based client-advisor relationships. The firm is compensated directly by its clients, making the relationship extremely transparent and free from any conflicts of interest.

Qualified Team of Professionals:

HM Capital Management is a registered investment advisory firm in St. Louis that is staffed by a team of highly qualified and experienced professionals. Industry designations, credentials and certifications held by its advisors includes Certified Financial Planners™ (CFP®), Personal Financial Specialist (PFS), Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Retirement Plan Consultant (CRPC), and Certified Private Wealth AdvisorSM (CPWA®).

Matter Family Office Review

Founded in 1990 by Katherine Lintz, [Matter Family Office](#) is an independent, fee-only family office and financial advisor in St. Louis, which provides financial advice, investment management, and family office support to high net worth families. Through offices in St. Louis, MO, and Denver, CO, Matter manages over \$5 billion in family net worth across 20 states nationwide.

As one of the largest independent family offices and wealth managers in St. Louis and across the U.S., the firm supports its clients by delivering a range of independent, family-focused services that includes:

- Family office support and services
- Family leadership
- Investment management
- Wealth planning

As pioneers in the family office industry, the firm uses a family-centric service delivery approach, which puts the family and its needs at the center of its strategy. The Matter Family Office team then personalizes a range of highly specialized financial, investment, and family office services to meet those unique family needs.



As a family-focused St. Louis wealth manager and family office, Matter clients greatly benefit from the firm's long-standing partnership with leading investment financial market research firms. This association, which serves institutional and private clients that invest over \$60 billion collectively, puts the power of 40+ research professionals in the hands of Matter clients.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following factors enabled Matter Family Office to be rated as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Independent:

As an institutionally-independent St. Louis Financial advisor and family office support provider, Matter Family Office does not accept any commissions or fees from third-party product providers. This independence enables the firm to deliver conflict of interest-free advice that has a single agenda: Their clients' best interest.

Fee-only Advisor:

As a highly regarded family office and financial planner in St. Louis, Matter is 100% privately owned by associates within the firm. The only source of compensation received comes directly from clients. This frees the firm's advisors from the pressures of having to sell product to clients and provides them the opportunity to focus exclusively on delivering unbiased advice.

Awards and Accolades:

Matter Family Office has been recognized by industry watchers and peers as one of the top St. Louis wealth management firms. In recognition of their skills and professional accomplishments, the firm has been listed on CNBC's "Top 100 Fee-Only Wealth Management Firms."

Individual Needs Through Global Perspective:

The company personalizes client portfolios to take advantage of global growth opportunities. This diversification helps families position themselves to benefit from both short and long-term opportunities globally.

Broad Array of Services:

Delivering a broad array of family office support and services, Matter Family Office is a family office services provider and financial advisor in St. Louis that offers affluent families as well as single family offices unique, one-stop solutions to their financial planning, wealth management, investment advisory, and family office needs.

North American Management Review

Established in 1928, [North American Management](#) is a privately owned wealth manager in St. Louis, with its principal office in Boston, MA. The company has been registered with the SEC as a Registered Investment Advisor (RIA) since 1969 and has been providing a unique set of wealth management services to family offices, affluent families, and select notfor-profit entities.

Included among its services are:

- Wealth planning
- Investment management
- Fiduciary services

As one of the top-rated wealth management firms in St. Louis, North American Management has been serving clients nationwide through a blend of stock and asset manager selection strategies, as well as estate planning, tax optimization, financial planning, and trust strategies.

With over \$1 billion of assets managed by its advisors, the firm has grown into one of the largest wealth managers in St. Louis through a

combination of strategic acquisitions as well as organically fostered growth.

North American Management has been recognized by several of the industry's leading rating and ranking institutions, including:

- Recognized in *Financial Advisor* magazine's 2015 Registered Investment Advisor, placed 145th largest firm out of the participating 562 participants
- Being named as one of the *Financial Times*' "300 Top Registered Investment Advisors" in the U.S in June 2015

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following considerations were instrumental in enabling North American Management to be rated as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Independent:

The company is privately owned and acts independent of any associations or affiliations with third-party financial product providers, brokers, or insurance companies. As such, its advisors are able to provide unbiased, independent advice to clients.

Registered Investment Advisors (RIA):

As registered investment advisors in St. Louis, North American Management is legally and professionally bound to always uphold the client's best interest above all other interests—including those of the firm and its individual advisors. The company's RIA status ensures clients will always receive conflict of interest-free advice at every stage of their relationship.

Fiduciaries:

Not only does North American Management act as a trusted wealth manager in St. Louis, but through two associated companies, both

named North American Fiduciary Services, LLC (NAFS), the firm acts as professional trustees to clients in Massachusetts and across the USA.

Skin in the Game:

North American Management is a wealth management firm in St. Louis that's wholly owned by its employees. As such, the staff and advisors have a lot vested in ensuring the success of their clients, which directly impacts the firm's and their own success.

Comprehensive Approach:

As one of the premier wealth managers in St. Louis, the company uses a comprehensive approach to understanding client needs, and then tailors individualized solutions to meet those needs. This approach starts with the initial meetings, where advisors work to understand the client's current financial position in full, and continues throughout the relationship with continuous updates and reviews.

Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC Review

Des Peres-based [Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC](#) is a wealth management firm in St. Louis that provides a range of wealth management and comprehensive financial planning services to its clients.

As members of The National Association of Personal Financial Advisors (NAPFA), Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC serve their clients as fee-only Registered Investment Advisors in St. Louis, charging clients only for the advice and/or ongoing services delivered. This advisory model ensures complete transparency at all levels of the client-advisor relationship.

The company's clients primarily include former business owners, selfmade millionaires, executives, "early" retirees, professionals, and

other individuals that are actively looking for independent, unbiased, conflict of interest-free advice they can trust. The minimum investible asset threshold for client accounts with the firm is \$500,000, but this amount may vary at the firm's discretion.

As a St. Louis wealth manager of repute, Paradigm Financial delivers additional value to its clients by synchronizing and coordinating their own efforts with those of their clients' lawyers, accountants, bankers, and insurance providers. This integrated approach ensures that every aspect of a client's financial life works in harmony to deliver long-term value.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following key factors enabled Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC to be rated as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Fee-only Advice:

Paradigm Financial Advisors, LLC is a registered investment advisory firm in St. Louis that relies exclusively on client fees for its compensation. With no linkages to financial product vendors, or no other commission-based incentives to sway their recommendations, clients are always assured of receiving unbiased advice from fee-only advisors.

Fiduciary Duty as RIAs:

As a St. Louis Registered Investment Advisor and member of NAPFA, Paradigm Financial is committed to upholding the NAPFA Fiduciary Oath, which mandates that its advisors always act in the client's best interest and be transparent in disclosing any conflicts of interest.

Unique Team Approach:

A top-rated wealth manager in St. Louis, the company uses a team approach to service delivery. Their "double teaming" approach entails the use of a minimum of two advisors at each client interaction, while also leveraging all of the firm's resources and expertise—not just those of

designated lead advisors—to ensure all of a client’s financial goals are achieved.

Fair and Flexible Fee Schedule:

As a top-ranked financial advisor in St. Louis, Des Peres-based Paradigm Financial Advisors offers clients multiple fee structures, based on where assets are held—at custodians Schwab or TD Ameritrade, outside of these custodians, or in corporate retirement plans.

Additionally, the company offers clients Comprehensive Financial Planning services under a retainer relationship. Fees under such engagements are fully refunded if clients indicate dissatisfaction with the services they received.

Long-term Approach:

Clients looking for a relationship with long-term wealth managers in St. Louis will find the Paradigm team an ideal partner. In addition to actively fostering long-term relationships with their clients, they also implement “big picture” investment strategies that do not depend on short-term gains from “timing the market.”

Plancorp, LLC Review

[Plancorp, LLC](#) is a wealth manager and financial advisor in St. Louis that was established in 1983. The company’s primary clients include high net worth families and individuals and small and medium-sized institutional clients.

A highly diversified financial advisor and St. Louis wealth manager, Plancorp carries an impressive variety in its portfolio of services, which includes:

- Investment management
- Financial planning
- Family office services

- Business advisory services
- Fiduciary investing
- Retirement plan advisory services

The company's primary role, however, is to provide affluent investors with asset management, wealth advisory and estate planning advice.

Plancorp has been recognized by peer groups and leading industry media as one of the top-rated investment advisors and wealth management firms in St. Louis. Recent accolades include:

- Being ranked #35 on *Financial Planning's* 5th annual list of top RIAs in the country
- Being listed in WealthManagement.com's list of top RIAs, a feat that only five other firms in Missouri have achieved
- Being listed among WealthManagement.Com's Top 25 High-NetWorth Advisors

As one of the leading fee-only wealth management firms in St. Louis, Plancorp, LLC manages and advises on nearly \$3 billion of institutional, family, and individual assets.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following important characteristics made it possible for Plancorp, LLC to be rated as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Registered Investment Advisor (RIA):

Plancorp, LLC is a Registered Investment Advisor in St. Louis and one of the first RIAs in Missouri in September 2007 to receive Investment Advisor Certification for Fiduciary Practices from the Center for Fiduciary Excellence (CEFEX). These credentials mandate that the company always acts in their clients' best interest, and actively seek to disclose and avoid conflicts of interest.

Independent, Fee-only Advisor:

The company operates as fee-only investment advisors and wealth managers in St. Louis. Advisors do not sell any products to clients, and the firm receives no commissions or referral fees from any third parties. This leaves the firm and its advisors free to deliver independent, objective advice to clients.

Academic-based Investing:

As one of the leading wealth managers and financial advisors in St. Louis, Plancorp follows an academic-based investment philosophy that is focused on long-term results, as opposed to short-term market timing or “clever” stock picking strategies. The fundamentals of this approach are grounded in Nobel Prize-winning research.

Diverse Team of Professionals:

Plancorp is a St. Louis wealth manager with an exceptionally diverse professional team of advisors and support staff, which includes MBAs, bankers, investment professionals, Certified Financial Planners, accounting specialists and retirement planning experts. The team even leverages the skills of a medical doctor.

Long-term Client Relationships:

The company has been in business for over 30 years, delivering independent and unbiased financial planning, wealth management, and investment advice to its clients. The next generation of company leadership is already being trained to support future generations of clients.

Zemenick & Walker, Inc. Review

Clayton-based [Zemenick & Walker, Inc.](#) is a non-discretionary wealth and financial advisor in St. Louis that serves high net worth clients, employee benefit plans, and not-for-profit businesses entities. The company was founded in 1987 by Richard Zemenick and Jim Walker

with the objective of providing personalized, conflict of interest-free advice to investors.

Since its inception, Zemenick & Walker, Inc. has grown to manage nearly \$2 billion in assets for over 171 clients across 22 states nationwide. As a top-ranked Registered Investment Advisor in St. Louis, the company's clients primarily include those with investment portfolios exceeding \$5 million.

As a St. Louis Registered Investment Advisor, the company follows a disciplined approach to deliver highly objective advice to its clients. In its capacity as non-discretionary investment advisors, the firm always consults and seeks client approval for all major decisions affecting client portfolios.

After reviewing the client's investment objectives and getting a clear understanding of their financial goals, Zemenick & Walker, Inc. advisors set out to determine the best options available to meet those objectives. Crucially, this approach includes identifying and working with some of the best, brightest, and most successful wealth managers in St. Louis and nationwide, with a proven performance track record.

Key Factors that Enabled This Firm to Rank as a Top 2016 Wealth Advisory Company

The following facts influenced our rating of Zemenick & Walker, Inc. as a top 2016 wealth management firm in St. Louis.

Registered Investment Advisor (RIA):

Zemenick & Walker, Inc. is a registered investment advisory firm in St. Louis that bases its relationships with clients on a fiduciary standard. This means that, unlike many other firms in the industry, Zemenick & Walker advisors are legally and professionally bound to a much higher standard of diligence and transparency.

Fee-only Advisory:

In its capacity as a registered investment advisory firm in St. Louis, Zemenick & Walker, Inc. does not accept any commissions or referral

fees from third parties. Unlike transaction-based relationships, where advisors are free to also be compensated by financial product or service providers, Zemenick & Walker advisors only get compensated through client fees.

Diversification of Portfolios:

While the company believes in taking a long-term view of the markets, one of the hallmarks of Zemenick & Walker, Inc.'s portfolio building strategies is to create highly diversified portfolios for its clients. They do so by diversifying assets within a specific class, and then by segments within those asset classes.

Broad Variety of Clientele:

Though Zemenick & Walker is a St. Louis Registered Investment Advisor that caters to the needs of high net worth and ultra-high net worth families, individuals, and institutions, its clients include a broad array of wealthy retirees, in-service professionals, accountants, doctors, attorneys, and entrepreneurs who built their fortunes through the sale of their businesses.

Conclusion – Top 9 Financial Advisory Firms in St. Louis

Whether you are looking for a wealth manager, financial planner, or financial advisor in St. Louis, Clayton, Des Peres, or anywhere else across Missouri, you're bound to find one using the wealth of information we've provided above. For your part now, you need to review each of the profiles of the firms in our list and assess which of them suits you and your financial situation.

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