Preparing to Sell a Business

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The 6 Questions Every Business Owner Should Ask Themselves

- 1. When do you want to sell?
- 2. How long do you want to keep working?
- 3. What is your corporate structure?
- 4. How will you get paid?
- 5. Who will be the buyer?
- 6. What type of sale is it?



1. When do you want to sell?







Exit at sale



Post sale employment



Non-compete clause



Non-solicitation clause

2. How long do you want to keep working?



3. What is your corporate structure?

















Cash Up-Front



Installment Note



Earn-out



Roll-in and future liquidity event



Mix and Match

4. How will you get paid?



5. Who will be the buyer?



Family Employee(s)



ESOPP



Strategic Buyer



Private Equity



6. What type of sale is it?







Asset Sale



With Real Estate



Without Real Estate



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*As of 3/31/2024, includes sub-advised assets and assets under advisement.

**Money Management Institute (MMI) and Barron's



1986 Year founded



\$36.2B



25 Investment professionals



100%

Family- and employee-owned



159 Employees



25.3

Investment team average years of experience



2020, 2021 & 2022

Asset Manager of the Year**



10.7

Investment team average years of working together



Awards

2020 2021 2022

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Asset Manager of the Year (AUM between \$25-\$100 billion)



























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Patrick Schultz is a Senior Wealth Planner at Clark Capital Management Group. In this role, Patrick works closely with clients' legal and tax advisors to provide client-facing expertise across a wide range of wealth planning strategies. He specializes in estate and tax planning strategies, charitable planning, executive and equity compensation planning, business succession planning, pre- and post-transactional planning, concentrated position management, and other personal planning strategies.

Prior to joining Clark Capital Management, Patrick led the Central Division of J.P. Morgan Wealth Management's Wealth Planning and Advice Team, where he oversaw the delivery of a holistic wealth management experience to advisors and their clients.

Patrick earned a B.A. in history from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee and a J.D. from Marquette University Law School. He holds both the FINRA Series 7 and 66 licenses.





Glenn Dorsey, CFA®, CAIA® SVP, Head of Client Portfolio Management

Glenn Dorsey is the Senior Vice President and Head of Client Portfolio Management for Clark Capital Management

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Throughout Glenn's extensive experience as a Portfolio Manager and a Client Portfolio Manager, he has focused on helping advisors deliver great outcomes to their clients and institutions. His portfolio management experience includes equity, balanced, and fixed income investing for high net worth clients. Prior to joining Clark, Glenn was the Co-Chief Investment Officer and Head of the Private Wealth Management Group at Curian Capital.

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