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## Why do we need all this information?

- 1. What information will we need and why? In order for us to our best work, we need as much specific detail as possible:
  - a. General information (date of birth, residency, dependents, occupation, etc) this helps us understand the timeline, longevity, goals, and risks in your life
  - b. Debt and cash flow statements if we have the actual statements we can pull things like interest rates, payment schedule, initial issue date in order to analyze these holdings as part of your net worth and plan strategy. If you do not have a cash flow statement, we will provide you with a tool. Our goal here is not to add to your busy life, but to understand your values in spending your money. We would prefer to create a "reverse budget" with you, but we have to know where your money is going in order to know how to fund the goals you have shared with us.
  - c. Employment benefit handbook and current elections, so that we can see what options you have elected and what options are available.
  - d. Homeowners, auto and liability declaration pages, so we can see where risk might exist and discuss proper liability coverage.
  - e. Disability, Life Insurance, and Long-Term Care declaration statements (if outside your company), so we can analyze what emergency funds you might need if you want to self insure or discuss risk transfer.
  - f. Bank and Investment Statements this includes bank statements (savings especially), 401k statements, annuity statements, and any brokerage statements (including taxable and IRA/Roth IRA accounts). We ask for the statements because often this shows us detail on cost basis (what you put into the holdings), beneficiaries, and registration. It also tells us what share class any mutual funds are in, which is important in analyzing overall cost. Building a portfolio strategy can help you get to your goals, but we want to make sure that you are aware of any "side-effects" of the recommendations we are providing. That is why the investment meeting is later in the schedule, because the recommendations are based on what we discover when we look at your overall risk and protection that needs to be built, your current and future tax circumstances, and retirement risk/return needs.

- g. Social Security statements/ estimates pension estimates and any other projected income you might receive in the future. This helps us see what income gaps you may have in the future that your investments will need to fulfill.
- h. Current Pay Stubs these tell us a big story. What is coming out of your paycheck helps us estimate your future tax liability, any benefits you are receiving, how much you are saving and your net take home pay for planning purposes.
- i. Tax Returns this is another document that tells us a major story. We can pull the impact of capital gains distributions, tax credits, interest income, and so much more. We use this as a baseline to make sure you are minimizing your tax liability as permitted by regulations. Additionally, if you are doing college planning, this document is at the core of that plan. We feel many missed opportunities happen when this document is not reviewed.
- j. Estate Planning Documents and Beneficiary Designations we want to make sure your money goes where you want it to go in the event of a disability or death. We are not attorney's and can not give you legal advice, but we can make sure your beneficiaries match your wishes based on the estate planning and beneficiary designations in place.

## **Basic Client Intake Information**

Personal Information		
Who are you?	Client 1	Client 2
First name		
Last name		
Date of birth		
Address		
Phone		
Client Email addresses		
Current employer(s)		
Job		
Number of years at employer		
If married, when were you married?		
Name of dependents that have over 50% of their living expenses provided by you	Type of dependent (i.e. child)	Date of Birth
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
Are you planning on having/adopting (additional) children? (yes/no)		
If applicable, when would you expect the next birth/adoption? (in years)		
How did you hear about us?		
What is the primary reason that prompted you to seek financial advice?		

## **Planning Document Gathering Checklist**

Assets  ☐ Check/Savings/CD Account Information ☐ Investment statements ☐ Retirement account statements ☐ IRA/ Roth IRA statements ☐ 529 Account Statements ☐ Stock options, deferred compensation or restricted stock accounts ☐ List of any other assets including real estate and estimated fair market value ☐ List of Savings Bonds ☐ Annuity Statement/Information	Liabilities  ☐ Credit Card Statement (or balance, interest rate, minimum and actual payment amounts) ☐ Auto loan statements ☐ Mortgage and home equity loan statements ☐ Student loan statements ☐ Other debt including family or business ☐ Credit Report and Score (whole credit report is helpful for us to review)
Cash Flow ☐ If you have been tracking cash flow, provide summary of up to last three years cash flow ☐ Last two pay stubs	Employee Benefits  ☐ Employee benefit description booklets or temporary website access ☐ Employee benefit elections for current year ☐ Pension Statements (if applicable)
Investment and Retirement  ☐ Social Security statements ☐ See list from Assets, please provide the account detail so we can see what you hold in the accounts	Tax Documents  □ Last year's tax returns inducing W2s and all scheduled federal and state taxes □ Business returns □ Real property tax statements
Legal and Estate Documents  ☐ Screenshots of beneficiaries on accounts ☐ Wills, trusts, powers of attorney & health care directives ☐ Legal documents such as divorce decrees, potential liabilities, contingent liabilities or contracts that may impact your financial situation ☐ Partnership agreements, if applicable (and any agreements associated such as Buy/Sell Agreements)	Risk Management Non-employer policies:  Health insurance contracts/descriptions List of Medications Disability insurance contracts and statements Life insurance statements and contracts Long term care insurance statements and contracts Homeowners/Renters Declaration page Auto Declaration Page Umbrella and/or professional Liability Declaration Pages

All of your information is kept confidential, please reference our privacy policy at the end of this questionnaire. It is important that you do your best to provide accurate details, as it will be used to create your initial assessment report.