

About David Lansky, Ph.D.



David Lansky, Ph.D., a Principal Consultant with the Family Business Consulting Group, Inc. has played a key role in the growth and transformation of many enterprising families, and in the business interests which they share.

With his deep understanding of family dynamics, his unique ability to address critical individual and family concerns, his appreciation for the challenges that accompany family wealth and family business, David has helped facilitate growth in families, repair difficult relationships, and turn stagnant or struggling enterprises into thriving organizations.

A clinical psychologist and family therapist by training, David spent over 15 years as a managing partner in a clinical psychology practice, where he observed the impact that personal relationships, family dynamics, and communication obstacles can have on families' abilities to work, plan and live well together.

Today, his clients include entrepreneurial families and families of wealth, multigenerational families with shared business or financial interests, family offices and private trust companies, all of whom want to plan well for the future, enhance communication, improve family relationships, and become more successful in family and business endeavors.

A graduate of Montreal's McGill University, David obtained his Master's and Doctoral degrees in clinical psychology from Rutgers University. He was one of the first psychologists in Illinois to be licensed as a Marriage and Family Therapist and was certified as a Family Therapy Supervisor by the National Association of Marital and Family Therapy. He has served as clinical faculty member and supervisor at Northwestern University's Family Institute and taught marital and family therapy at the Adler School of Professional Psychology in Chicago. David is a member of the Family Firm Institute (FFI) and was coordinator of FFI's Midwest Study Group, the longest standing study group affiliated with FFI.

David is well known for his expertise in the psychology and family dynamics of multigenerational wealth. He is a member of The Private Wealth Advisors Study Group. David has published widely on family business and family wealth, including a regular column in The Journal of Practical Estate Planning and in Family Business Magazine.

David is married, lives in Chicago, Illinois and has three adult children.

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