

ADVISORY INVESTMENT TEAM

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL WEALTH MANAGEMENT COMPANY®



Matthew D. Wilbur

Assistant Director – Advisory Investments

Matt has 19 years of financial services experience. Prior to joining Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company in 2011, Matt was part of the personal investment markets team, where he was responsible for product development, training and communications for the investment advisory and brokerage product lines. He began his career at Strong Investments as an investment consultant with a focus on retail brokerage and fee-based investment advisory programs. Matt holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.



Christopher P. Rykwald, ChFC®

Investment Consultant

Chris has 15 years of financial services experience. He joined Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company in 2006 as a senior trading specialist with the advisory services team. Prior to this, Chris was a corporate and executive stock specialist with Robert W. Baird & Co., focusing on insider and restricted stock transactions. He began his career with Strong Investments, working as a retail brokerage trader, then later on the company's institutional cash team. Chris holds a bachelor's degree in finance with an economics emphasis from the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater.



John A. Mlekoday, CFP®

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John has 23 years of financial services experience. Prior to joining Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company, John was an investment representative and financial planner for the INVEST Financial Group. John holds a master's degree in finance from the University of Wisconsin. He also holds bachelor's degrees in business and computer science and in management systems from the Milwaukee School of Engineering.



Jerome S. Cesarz, CLU®, ChFC®

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Jerry has 18 years of financial services experience. Before joining Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company, Jerry was a trading services consultant with Northwestern Mutual Investment Services, where he oversaw the day-to-day operation of the desk and provided guidance on general securities products. Prior to Northwestern Mutual, Jerry was a stockbroker with Scottrade. He began his career as an investment representative with Scudder Kemper Investments. Jerry holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater and an MBA from the Keller Graduate School of Management.



David R. Humphreys, CFA®

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David has 11 years of financial services experience. Prior to joining Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company, David was a Co-Portfolio Manager and Trader at 1492 Capital Management, LLC. Before joining 1492 Capital, David spent some time at Northwestern Mutual as an Investment Operations Senior Specialist working with execution of fixed income and private placements transactions for Mason Street Advisors and NIMCo. Prior to this, he was at Stark Investments as a pricing manager responsible for pricing Stark's global portfolio and as a derivatives analyst constructing and executing various derivative trading strategies. David holds a bachelor's degree in Finance and an MBA from UW-Milwaukee.



Steven M. Bruce

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Steve has 10 years of financial services experience, including time spent as a Northwestern Mutual financial representative. Prior to joining the advisory investment team, Steve was a senior trading specialist with Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company and was operationally responsible for all trading and supervision of Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company Signature Portfolios accounts. Steve holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Dubuque and an MBA from Northeastern University.



Keith Dickerson, CMFC

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Keith has eight years of financial services experience. Prior to joining Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company, Keith worked as an Associate Sales Director at BMO Global Asset Management, working with institutional consultants and advisors on pricing and plan design for the BMO 401(k) platform. Keith also spent seven years at Wells Fargo Asset Management, working primarily in intermediary services as an Associate Regional Director, where he called on regional and independent advisory firms to position Wells Fargo mutual fund and separately managed account products. Keith holds a bachelors degree in history from Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio, and an MBA with a finance concentration from Marquette University.

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