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Meet your Financial Advisor Team

Not all wealth gets created equally. Creating it and maintaining it takes a personalized approach focused on comprehensive planning. At Vermeeren & Associates Private Wealth Management we specialize in multi-generation family planning. Helping people understand the principles of wealth management, by providing advice in key areas of tax and estate planning, investment planning, risk management, and business succession; developing unique solutions to our clients.

Relationship building is key in this process, that's why we take a deep understanding of your goals and concerns, so *you can look after the things you love while we manage your wealth*.

Randy Vermeeren, BSc, PFP, RRC, CFP, Principal, Division Director.

Randy is the Principal of Vermeeren & Associates. He has been a financial planning professional for over 19 years. Mr. Vermeeren holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Brigham Young University-Idaho. Randy has also completed the CSC, PFP, RRC and the prestigious CFP planning designation. As a Consultant, Randy provides holistic financial advice for clients; focusing on retirement and estate planning, tax planning and insurance needs.

Randy has received many accolades from his work most recently becoming a member of the Presidents club which is the top 2% of IG Consultants based on new business. Randy has also been selected as part of the IG Private Wealth Management Group. He is personally committed to understanding your needs while working with a team of specialist to meet all your financial goals.

When he is not working, Randy coaches youth minor league basketball and serves in the community. He is an active volunteer within his church organization and also spends time at the Calgary drop-in-center. Randy enjoys spending his down time with his lovely wife Lesley and their 4 very active children, Dallin, Abbie, Jack, and Rachel.

John MacBurnie, BSc., B.Eng., RRC, CFP, Associate Consultant

Mr. MacBurnie holds Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical) degrees from Dalhousie University. Recently he was awarded the life member status with APEGA, and still maintains his Professional Engineer (P.Eng.) designation. John also completed his RRC designation from The Canadian Institute of Financial Planning (CIFP) and the industry standard CFP designation from the Financial Planning Standards Council (FPSC).

John moved from Nova Scotia to Alberta in 1981 to work in the oil and gas industry. After many years he realized that he liked helping people more that helping companies. Following in a colleagues footsteps, he started with Investors Group in 1999, and is now in his 20th year of helping families with their financial plans.

When not at work John enjoys golfing. He was elected three times to the Board of Directors at a local Golf Club, for a total of nine years of service. He and his wife Phyllis enjoy travelling. Their adventures have taken them as far west as Hawaii, as far south as Panama, and as far east as Scotland, England and Spain.

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Luis Alvarez, CFP, RRC, Associate Consultant.

Luis started with Investors Group in 2012 and has seen his practice grow quickly. He has a degree in Business administration with a major in Finance from SAIT. He received a Pillar Award in 2013, based on Investors Group New Business for Consultants in their first 4 years. Also, Luis holds designations in RIC and CFP.

Luis is originally from Colombia, and immigrated to Canada in 2009 along with his brother Sebastian. Luis is an avid soccer fan and lover of sports, he enjoys spending his down time with his dog "Milo", and is very passionate about physical fitness.

Meryl Aydin, B.A., M.A., CFP, Associate Consultant.

Meryl Aydin has been working in the financial service industry for 31 years, last 27 years with IG Wealth Management. She is experienced in all aspects of financial planning. Meryl considers financial planning as a family affair, she has been a friend of the family for many clients.

Meryl holds a Bachelor's of Art, Masters in Arts degrees and she is a Certified Financial Planner Professional. Also, Meryl managed the largest group employee savings account in Western Canada for Investors Group for approximately 10 years. Meryl is an avid traveler, likes anthropology and history. She enjoys helping out Food Bank, Red Cross and Unicef.

Anita Jensen, Executive Assistant.

Anita has been working with the team since 2012. She comes with a degree form Old's College. And years of experience in running a small business with her husband. Her efficiency is what often keeps the team going.

Away from work, Anita is a busy wife and mother of 4 boys, she likes to be active and enjoys spending time in the Canadian Rockies. Anita is also active in volunteering and leadership position within her church organization.

Benjamin MacBurnie, Executive Assistant.

Ben has been working with Investors Group since early 2010. He attended MRU for a Bachelor of Arts. During his time at IG he has become proficient in all aspects of the administration of the business, and has become the "go to" person for process answers in the office.

When not a work he enjoys snowboarding in the winter, scuba diving, working on cars, and travelling. His travels have taken him as far as Cuba and Japan. His love of cars took him to renting a 57 Chevy in Varadero, Public Road Go-Karting through downtown Tokyo, and taking a Lamborghini Aventador on a speed track in Las Vegas.

Gustavo Penagos, Marketing Coordinator.

Gustavo is the newest member of our team. He joined Vermeeren & Associates Private Wealth Management in April of 2018. Gustavo comes with a background in Communications and a Business Administration Diploma with a double major on Marketing and Public Relations. Gustavo is originally from Colombia and has been in Canada for approximately 10 years.

Away from work, Gustavo enjoys photography and is very passionate about traveling and discovering new cultures. Volunteering is a big part of Gustavo's life too, he started getting involved with different charities and foundations when he was 18 years old.

We help our clients to grow and protect their net worth by creating unique and easy to understand financial plans that change as their life does.

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