

Jerry Middel

Early in his career, Jerry made the decision to get into the financial game and has played it with great success since 1961. He worked as a practice leader for the world's third largest risk management firm before leaving to launch his own company. Eventually, in 1999, he decided to merge with Financial Designs, Ltd., where he remains a Principal. Like most successful execs, Jerry doggedly prepared himself to advise others. He attended Michigan's Calvin College and continued diversified financial studies at American College, later earning valuable professional credentials – Chartered Life Underwriter and Chartered Life Financial Consultant. Currently, he devotes himself to counseling business leaders – helping them set priorities on issues of protecting assets, retaining management talent and planning for business transition. Jerry believes in giving back. He serves on a number of professional associations and often is a featured speaker at industry groups. But giving back also means giving time to his favorite cause – developing young people through the Board of Directors of Denver Kids, Leader's Challenge and Providence Network. Colorado showed him its appreciation by making him the recipient of the National Philanthropic Outstanding Volunteer for 2005.