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**DAVID CECHANOWICZ** joined REDW Stanley Financial Advisors, LLC in 2016, bringing 40 years of experience providing advice and counsel to medium and high net worth clients in the areas of estate, business, retirement and investment planning—particularly on complex issues where the law, taxes, and financial matters intersect.

A nationally recognized speaker and expert on retirement planning and on claiming Social Security benefits, David is skilled at communicating complex ideas that empower clients to understand and implement his planning recommendations—a quality that is highly valued by the REDW Stanley team and its clients. He has regularly delivered continuing education classes to CPAs, attorneys and financial advisors, and has also created financial and estate planning presentation materials that have been used industry-wide.

David is member of the New Mexico Estate Planning Council and, as a former adjunct faculty member of Oakland University, has taught classes in retirement planning and employee benefits for the CFP® designation. The CFP® Board of Standards has also received David's services in writing exam questions for candidates seeking the CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ designation.

David has testified before the IRS on distribution issues for qualified plans, and has been an expert witness in Federal Court on life insurance matters and in FINRA securities arbitration matters. He has spoken before many groups on topics concerning financial planning, risk management, retirement and estate planning, including the AICPA Annual Advanced Estate Planning Conference and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. David was certified by the National Association State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a provider of continuing education for CPAs. In addition, he has authored articles on life insurance and financial matters, and written a training manual for financial advisors regarding Social Security claiming.

## EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

David holds a Juris Doctor from the University of New Mexico School of Law and a Master of Science in Financial Services (MSFS) from The American College in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. As an Enrolled Agent (EA), the highest credential awarded by the IRS, he has unlimited rights to represent taxpayers before the IRS. In addition, David has earned the following designations: Accredited Investment Fiduciary® (AIF®), Accredited Estate Planner (AEP®), Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU®), and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC®).

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

David is currently a member in good standing with the New Mexico Bar Association and the New Mexico Estate Planning Council.