

Michael Dayton, BCF™

Michael Dayton is a Senior Pension & ERISA Governance Specialist at The Dayton Company, a registered investment advisory firm. Mike has over 22 years experience in the financial services industry primarily focused in servicing retirement plans. He is the co-founder of Ekstra401k which is a national 401(k) MEP provider and is the co-founder of PLANALYTiq, a 401(k) analytics and benchmarking firm.

Prior to joining The Dayton Company, he was with ADP as a payroll, HR and employee benefit consultant. Along with almost a decade of corporate finance and private lending experience, Mike was recruited by his father to direct the pension division at The Dayton Company and was named president of the firm a few years later.

Mike quickly realized plan sponsor clients needed more help with plan administration and compliance so he launched the firm's governance services division. He also expanded the firm's capabilities as an early adopter of financial wellness programs, health savings accounts and online benefit management services. His vision was instrumental to the firm's rapid growth.



He holds a Board Certified Fiduciary™ (BCF™) designation, a Certificate in Fiduciary Leadership and Certificate in Applied Fiduciary Practices with special emphasis in Defined Contribution Plans from the Wake Forest University School of Professional Studies. He is a peer acknowledged member of the Center for Board Certified Fiduciaries™ (CBCF™) and current member of the CBCF™ board of directors.

Mike has been a member of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors® (NAIFA®) in various leadership and committee roles and a past chapter president.

In addition to managing the advisory firm, he maintains an insurance license and consults with firms of all sizes on their employee benefits program.

EDUCATION

Bachelor Degree in Psychology, University of Washington

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Registered Investment Advisor

Board Certified Fiduciary™, Center for Board Certified Fiduciaries™

Certificate in Fiduciary Leadership, Wake Forest University (WFU) School of Professional Studies

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Licensed Insurance Agent, State of Washington

