

# The 2% Club Advantage...

Stay Informed About Exit & Succession Planning





## The 10 Steps of Successful Small Business Owners

Step #1	Establish Successful Business
Step #2	Achieve Personal Budget < 70% Income
Step #3	Establish Brokerage Account
Step #4	Purchase Commercial RE for Business
Step #5	Pay off Your Personal Residence
Step #6	Achieve Personal Budget < 50% Income
Step #7	Develop 80% of Wealth Outside Business
Step #8	Achieve Personal Budget < 3-5% Net Worth
Step #9	Sell, Transfer or Keep Your Business
Step #10	Welcome to The 2% Club!



# The 2% Club Advantage

Just 2% of business owners will achieve everything they dreamed of when they opened their business. We call this rare, but highly successful group "The 2% Club." By having full, unlimited access to the following expertise, you gain a significant advantage in accelerating your success and Joining The 2% Club.

- ✓ Unlimited Business Valuation Consulting
- ✓ Unlimited Tax Strategy Consulting
- ✓ Unlimited Financial Consulting
- ✓ Unlimited Exit & Succession Consulting
- ✓ Unlimited Estate Protection Consulting
- ✓ Annual Updated Business Valuation
- ✓ Personal & Business Tax Preparation
- ✓ Audit Representation Included
- ✓ One Level, Fixed, Monthly Fee

The pages that follow detail the significant benefits and expertise available to you when you become a member of our community of financially successful business owners.

Best of Success,

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Note: This is a companion service to the book "The 10 Steps of Successful Small Business Owners"



## **EXPERT CONSULTING**

## THE 5 RULES

## THE DELIVERABLES



USE TAX STRATEGIES
THAT BUILD
YOUR WEALTH







Unlimited Business Value Consulting & Annual Updated Valuation

Business & Personal Tax Return Prep., Unlimited Tax Strategy Consultation

Investment Advice & Management With Separate AUM Agreement

Unlimited Exit Planning & Succession, Business Sale & Transfer Consulting

Unlimited Consultation in Estate Protection, Wills, Trusts, Other

Unlimited Advisory Meetings Unlimited Financial Consulting Audit Representation Included One Level, Fixed, Monthly Fee



Understanding business valuation is critical to making everyday business decisions that enhance the value of your business. Decisions that make it more valuable will also make it easier to sell long term.

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#### **Key Questions to Ask Yourself**

- 1. Do I know what the value of my business is and why it changes?
- 2. Do I know how to increase business value without increasing size?
- 3. Do I know the key business value drivers for my business?

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- ✓ Initial Certified Business Valuation
- ✓ Annual Updated Business Valuation
- ✓ On-Demand Business Valuation Update
- ✓ Consulting to Identify Business Value Targets
- ✓ Consulting to Identify Metrics of Value Target
- ✓ Cost of Capital & Financing Consulting
- ✓ Building Business Value Consulting
- ✓ Day to Day Value Decision Advice
- ✓ Business Value Protection Consulting
- ✓ Business Valuation Industry Report Access
- ✓ Access to Certified Valuation Analyst (CVA)
- √ 2% Club Business Valuation Videos





Maintaining an optimal tax position can greatly improve your wealth over time, and the savings generally repeat each year. Tax positions should be monitored and adjusted during the year to achieve best results.

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#### **Key Questions to Ask Yourself**

- 1. Am I employing all available tax strategies to minimize my tax burden?
- 2. Am I reviewing tax strategies during the year and making adjustments?
- 3. Do I understand the tax benefits of business owner occupied real estate?

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- ✓ Personal & Business Tax Return Preparation
- ✓ Interim Meetings for Tax Adjustments & Estimates
- ✓ Tax Efficient Entity Selection
- ✓ Tax Efficient Owner Compensation
- ✓ Self Charged Rent Strategies
- ✓ Cost Allocation Strategies
- ✓ Unrealized Income Strategies
- √ Tax Deferral Strategies
- ✓ Tax Strategies to Maximize Net on Sale
- ✓ General Advanced Tax Consulting
- ✓ Access to Certified Public Accountants (CPA)
- √ 2% Club Tax Wealth Strategies Educational Videos



Developing investments outside your business is key to joining the 2% Club. Successful members of the 2% Club generally will accumulate four dollars of outside investments for every dollar of business value.

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#### **Key Questions to Ask Yourself**

- 1. Do I live on less than 70% of my income (including taxes) and invest 30%?
- 2. What is my goal for total wealth excluding my home & personal items?
- 3. What does my financial advisor do for me & what expertise to they bring?

- ✓ Unlimited Financial Consulting
- ✓ Investment Review, Analysis & Advice
- ✓ Help to Profile the Ideal Real Estate for your Business
- ✓ Understand Benefits of Real Estate Cost Allocation
- ✓ Real Estate Purchase Assistance
- ✓ Non-Traditional Investment Advice
- ✓ Global Asset Allocation including Business & Real Estate
- ✓ Institutional Investing Style & Proper Asset Allocation
- √ Advanced Investment Management (Separate AUM Agreement)
- ✓ Guidance in Understanding 2% Club Goals
- ✓ Access to Certified Financial Planner (CFP)
- √ 2% Club Developing Outside Investments Educational Videos



Whether you want to remain in your business indefinitely or exit your business and retire, staying informed about exit & succession planning is critical to protecting and realizing the value of your business interest.

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#### **Key Questions to Ask Yourself**

- 1. Do I want to leave my business or remain involved indefinitely?
- 2. Do I know who I want to sell it to, for how much and when?
- 3. Am I laying the long term groundwork for a successful sale?

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- ✓ Unlimited Exit & Succession Consulting
- ✓ Access to Certified Exit Planning Advisor
- ✓ Proper Entity for Exit or Succession Plan
- ✓ Tax Strategies for Maximizing Net Proceeds
- √ 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Sale vs. Insider Sale Consulting
- ✓ Efficient Succession Planning to Family
- ✓ Broker vs. Investment Banker Sales Advice
- ✓ Employee Stock Option Program (ESOP) Advice
- ✓ Guidance in Positioning Your Business for Sale
- ✓ Guidance in Selling Your Business, Sale Financing
- ✓ Guidance in Profiling Your Ideal Buyer & Managing Risk
- ✓ Guidance in Preparing Insiders for a Purchase
- ✓ 2% Club Exit & Succession Educational Videos



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#### **Overview**

Protecting your wealth is about taking some very simple steps to manage risks and protect yourself from having your assets unjustly taken. These steps help get your financial house in order and keep it that way.

#### **Key Questions to Ask Yourself**

- 1. Do I have a buy-sell agreement to protect the value of my business?
- 2. Do I know that my will or trust will achieve what I intend it to?
- 3. Do I understand how to protect myself from people in positions of trust?

- ✓ Unlimited Estate Protection Consultation
- ✓ Consulting on Property, People and Process in Estate Plans
- ✓ Consulting on Business Buy Sell Agreements
- ✓ Consulting on Business Contingency Plans
- ✓ Consulting on Protecting Yourself from People in Positions of Trust
- ✓ Consulting on Estate, Gifting & Charitable Giving
- ✓ Assistance with Family Financial Matters
- ✓ Consulting on Tax Efficient Business Transfer to Family Members
- ✓ Strategies to Protect your 2% Club Status
- ✓ 2% Club Protecting Your Wealth Educational Videos





## ... For Selling Your Business

ш	Owner Obtains SBA Certified Business valuation	
	Determine Financial Feasibility	
	Achieve Business Value Target	
	Ready to Sell	
	Goal: Attract Multiple Qualified Buyers	
	<b>Business Purchase Opportunity Sheet</b>	
	Non-Disclosure Agreement	
	Obtain Buyer Credit Report	
	Document Package	
	Company Overview & Benefit Statements	
	Credible SBA Certified Business Valuation	
	Tax Returns & Financial Statements	
	Buyer Consults Their Advisors	
	Letter of Intent – Price, Terms, Date	
	Buyer's Financing Commitment Letter	
	Buyer Due Diligence Period	
	Attorney Prepares Purchase & Sale Agreement	
	Both Parties Sign Purchase & Sale Agreement	
	Bank Selects Closing Attorney	
	Bank Obtains SBA Certified Business Valuation	

**Business Sold!** 

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## **Investment Management Services**

"Based on how the Top 2% of Financially Successful Business Owners Invest"

- Customized Asset Allocation
- Coordinated Tax Loss Harvesting
- Coordinated Tax Strategies
- Nice To Have It All In One Place
- Estate Planning and Wills
- Retirement Planning
- Total Wealth Approach
- A Successful Investing Experience













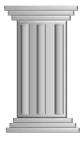


"A Nobel Prize Winning Investment Strategy" Market Returns



Pillar #1

Low Risk



Pillar #2

Wealth Centric

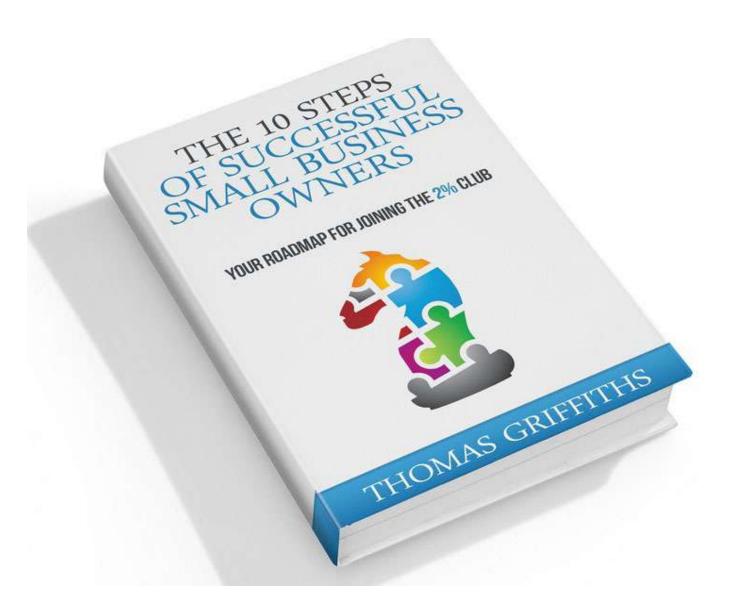


Pillar #3

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.....Will You Be One of Them?



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