Linda Y. Leitz, PhD, CFP, EA

Linda Y. Leitz, co-owner of Peace of Mind Financial Planning, Inc., is a Certified Financial Planner and has been in the financial industry since 1979. She is also enrolled to practice before the Internal Revenue Service. Before becoming a financial planning professional, Linda held several executive positions in the banking industry. She began her career as a bank examiner. Linda has a PhD in Personal Financial Planning from Kansas State University, an MBA from Southern Methodist University, and a BA in Business Administration from Principia College.

Linda is active in many community and professional activities. She is currently serving on The Standards Commission for the Certified Financial Planning Board, is past Chair of the National Board of the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, and has also served on that organization's West Region Board of Directors. She is past president of the Pikes Peak Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners and was the 1998 Business Owner of the Year of that organization. Linda has been or is currently involved with various organizations on their boards or other committees: The Colorado Springs Utility Policy Advisory Committee, the Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, the Southern Colorado Chapter of the Financial Planning Association, Junior Achievement, and the Estate Planning Council.

As a fee-only financial planner, Linda is a member of the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, the Financial Planning Association, the National Association of Tax Professionals, and the Alliance of Comprehensive Planners. Linda is the author of two books: The Ultimate Parenting Map to Money Smart Kids and We Need to Talk - Money & Kids After Divorce. She is a personal financial columnist for The Gazette in Colorado Springs. Linda is a columnist for the financial planning industry magazine NAPFA Advisor and has been a financial columnist for the Colorado Springs Business Journal, The Beacon, and Senior Times. She has also had financial articles published in Positively Magazine, The Christian Science Sentinel, and LDS Living. She has been quoted in several national publications including the Wall Street Journal, U.S. News and World Report, and Morningstar Advisor and she has appeared on CSNBC. She also works as a volunteer instructor to new financial advisors with the Alliance of Comprehensive Planners.

Linda has three children. Linda's hobbies include reading, hiking, and movies. (She also enjoys knitting, but we all agreed that's too boring to put on the web site.)