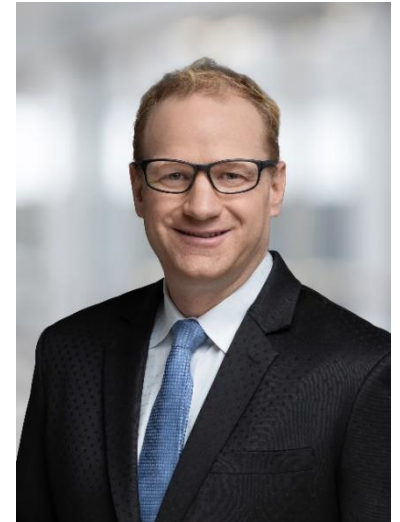


## Stephen E. Lowe Jr.

A native of Ontario, Canada, Steve has 20 years of experience in the financial services industry, specializing in corporate and private wealth management.

In personal wealth management, Steve develops solutions for clients to achieve wealth accumulation and address estate preservation. Through a deep understanding of clients' current situation and future goals, Steve helps clients diversify their wealth with strategies that offer stability during economic downturns, while participating in economic growth. Steve also helps clients implement risk-management strategies that offer protection from loss and provide estate liquidity. Steve's clients include senior level professionals and directors of public and private companies.

In the corporate market, Steve focuses on incentive and retention strategies, working with industry leaders to implement programs to recruit and retain key talent within organizations. Coupled with shareholder succession planning, Steve offers comprehensive solutions for current and future business needs.



Providing clients with solutions to complex, evolving problems is Steve's passion, but it is also his second successful act. Prior to joining Northwestern Mutual and co-founding Ascent Wealth Partners, Steve was a professional hockey player. He was drafted in 1995 by the Dallas Stars and spent the next nine years playing professionally.

Steve's passion for hockey and competition have enabled him to give back to the community through his leadership with the Muskegon Lumberjacks. In his seventh season, Steve serves as the President of Hockey Operations and helped build Muskegon into one of the strongest franchises in the U.S. Hockey League. Overall, he has been involved with the USHL for 20 years. During Steve's tenure, 49 players have been drafted into the National Hockey League with 22 players currently on NHL rosters.

Steve is a devoted husband and father of two daughters and two dogs. He studied Economics and Business Administration at St. Thomas University in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada. Steve and his family are active members in their community, taking specific interest in the Miracle League of Southwest Michigan and their church.

## Awards and Recognition

Forbes Best-in-State Top Financial Security Professionals (2022-2024)

Awards Year:

- Premium Top 20 (2019, 2021-2023)
- Premium Top 100 (2015, 2016, 2018-2024)
- 5 Star Pathfinder (2020, 2022-2024)
- COLI 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (2019, 2021-2024)
- COLI Top 10 (2018-2024)
- 12x FORUM Qualifier (2011, 2013-2016, 2018-2024)
- Life Impact (2011-2024)

Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Advisors (2024, 2025)

Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Management Teams (2023-2025)

Central Regional Year:

- Premium Top 10 (2015, 2016, 2018-2024)
- Premium Top 50 (2012-2016, 2018-2024)
- Diamond (2010, 2012-2016, 2018-2024)
- COLI 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (2019-2024)
- 5 Star Pathfinder Top 5 (2020, 2022-2024)
- Premium 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (2020-2023)
- COLI 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (2018)