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Brief Backgrounder

John ("John A") Warnick is the founder of the Purposeful Planning Institute, a multi-disciplinary institute dedicated to exploring and sharing best practices for creating and building positive and sustainable legacies. Along with his duties as the CEO of PPI, John A. is a practicing estate planning attorney who balances his enthusiasm for tax savings with purposeful questions and in-depth design to ensure the planning is congruent with his client's core values. John A is a strong advocate for the power of collaboration and believes we do our best work when we work collaboratively. John A. delivers workshops and speaks across the country sharing the six paradigms of Purposeful Planning and the Seven Keys of Purposeful Trusts and Gifts and promoting collaboration and innovation in the fields of law, wealth management, philanthropy and legacy planning.

John A enjoys facilitating family retreats and providing wealth counseling, fiduciary and philanthropic consulting services. He finds immense fulfillment in educating and training children, adolescents and emerging adults in financial literacy, philanthropic service, and holistic family wealth principles.

John A. received a BA magna cum laude from Brigham Young University and his JD from George Washington University with honors. He was the author of two BNA (Bureau of National Affairs) Tax Management portfolios. He co-authored "Selecting a Trust Situs in the 21st Century" published in 2002.

Professional Associations and Recognitions

- Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel
- Recognized as a Best Lawyer in America
- Member of the Carter Center Planned Giving Advisory Council
- Member of the Gift Planning Council of LDS Philanthropies
- Member of the Financial Planning Association
- Member of the Colorado Bar Association & Wyoming State Bar