

Smythe, Vetrovec & Palangi

of Davenport & Company LLC



James L. Smythe

Senior Vice President - Investments

With more than 30 years of financial advisory experience, Jim specializes in wealth planning and portfolio management. Before joining Davenport in 2009, Jim worked for 19 years as a Financial Advisor for Merrill Lynch. He is Series 7, 63, and 65 registered and licensed to sell long-term care insurance.

Jim offers comprehensive wealth management, retirement plan analysis, and professional portfolio management solutions. Each client will have access to Davenport Asset Management or other professional money managers, as well as mutual funds and annuities for constructing portfolios. Additionally, he offers the expertise to build custom stock and bond portfolios and strategies to create reliable income. In the end, his objective is simple: to help clients achieve their individual goals.

Jim graduated from Georgia Tech in 1960 with a degree in industrial engineering. He is actively involved with the Peter Paul Development Center, an outreach and community center in Richmond's East End. Each year, Jim and his wife collaborate with local service organizations and churches to host an annual Wounded Warrior Fishing Day. When he is not at work, Jim operates a fruit and vegetable farm and enjoys researching and planting new heirloom vegetables. He frequently turns his farmhouse kitchen into a test kitchen to evaluate new varieties of fruits and vegetables.



John W. Vetovec, CFP®

Senior Vice President - Investments

John works with clients to invest their money and plan for the future. Before joining Davenport in 2009, he worked for nine years in investments and planning for Merrill Lynch. He is Series 7 and 66 registered and is licensed to sell long-term care insurance.

John graduated from NC State University with a BS in Textile and Apparel Management. He earned his CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® designation from the College for Financial Planning. He is actively involved in several community organizations, serving as treasurer for St. Michaels Episcopal School and a member of the Rotary Club of West Richmond. He also serves on the Maymont Board of Directors.

In his spare time, John enjoys working out at the gym or going trail running. He and his wife, Logan, along with their two children, Stella and Whit, enjoy travelling and hiking together whenever they have the opportunity.



Kristina Palangi, CFP®

Vice President – Investments

Prior to joining Davenport in February 2025, Kristina spent time at Merrill Lynch, and most recently Truist as a financial planner. With more than a decade of financial industry experience, she is committed to developing client relationships that are built on sound financial planning and an understanding of client goals. She is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® professional and holds her Series 7 and 66 registrations with FINRA. She is licensed to sell insurance and annuity products.

Kristina is active in the community and currently serves on the Junior Board for World Pediatrics, and as a member of the Finance Committee at Lakeside Park Country Club. She has previously served in roles with Junior League of Birmingham, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and Oak Mountain Youth Sports. In her free time, she enjoys spending time on the golf course and exploring Richmond with her husband, Adam, and their goldendoodle, Fitzgerald.

Professional credentials do not guarantee success or client satisfaction and should not be viewed as the sole determining factor in evaluating an investment adviser.



Christine K. “Chrissy” Robles

Associate Vice President, Registered Client Service Associate

Prior to joining Davenport in 2016, Chrissy worked as a Senior Stock Broker at Scottrade for 10 years, buying and selling investment products, account maintenance and offering seminars. She utilizes her financial industry experience to provide exceptional service to clients. She is Series 7 and 63 registered with FINRA. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family, friends, and outdoor activities.