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Annie has a bachelor's degree from the University of Vermont where she graduated in the top of her class as a John Dewey Honors College Scholar and played for the Women's Division I Lacrosse Team. She joined Morgan Stanley after working as a financial services professional in the insurance industry and has been with the firm for over a decade. She proudly holds the titles of Corporate Retirement Director and Financial Wellness Director and is a Senior Vice President, Financial Advisor at Morgan Stanley.

Annie's areas of focus are on comprehensive financial planning and 401(k) and retirement plan consulting for individuals, families, corporations and non-profits. As a Qualified Plan Financial Consultant (QPFC) she works closely with board members and investment committees to provide consulting, benchmarking, ongoing investment services, and education for both plan sponsors and participants. As a Financial Planning Specialist, she often works one-on-one with clients, helping them to prepare for their future with holistic planning.

Integrity and professionalism are the cornerstones of her practice and she seeks to build a strong level of trust with her clients by working closely with them throughout the relationship. She finds the most rewarding part of her job is forming meaningful relationships with clients and working with them throughout their life stages. Given her experience, she has the background to work with every type of client, and is a valuable resource to individuals across the investment spectrum--from those just starting to chart their course in the investment world to seasoned investors with highly complex and sophisticated financial needs.

Annie lives in South Burlington with her husband Chris, their son Ralph, and their dog Freddie. She often gets confused for her identical twin-sister Emily, who is a Doctor at UVMMC and an Assistant Professor at the College of Medicine at UVM. Annie is known for her love of pizza, and enjoys friendly competition, mountain biking, running, cycling, skiing and golf.

In 2017, 2019, and 2020 Annie was named to the firm's Pacesetter's Club, a global recognition program for Financial Advisors who, early in their career have demonstrated the highest professional standards and first-class client service.

In 2024 Annie was named to the National Association of Plan Advisors (NAPA) list of Top Women Advisors and the Wilkins Strout Group at Morgan Stanley were named to NAPA's Top DC Advisor Teams in 2024 & 2025.

In 2024 and 2025 Annie and the team were recognized by Forbes as one of the best-in-state Wealth Management Teams in Vermont.

In 2025 Annie was named to Forbes America's Top Next-Gen Wealth Advisors Best-in-State.

In 2026 Annie was named to Forbes America's Top Women Wealth Advisors Best-in-State.

In 2026 Annie was named to PLANADVISER's Top Retirement Plan Advisers.

2024 , 2025, & 2026 Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Management Teams

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2024 & 2025 NAPA Top DC Advisor Teams

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Forbes America's Top Next-Gen Wealth Advisors & Top Next-Gen Wealth Advisors Best-in-State 2025

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2026 Forbes America's Top Women Wealth Advisors Best-In-State

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2026 PLANADVISER Top Retirement Advisers

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