

Elizabeth Dunn's favorite quote:

'From generation to generation.'

— Hebrew saying

Elizabeth A. Dunn, C.P.A., P.A.**Distinction:** Achieved Accredited Estate Planner designation**Place of business:** Boca Raton

As president and founder of Tax Solutions Group Inc., Elizabeth A. Dunn helps clients with high net-worth tax strategies, wealth management, trust and estate planning, gifting and charitable gift matters.

She's been working in Florida for 20 years and said she thought it was important to get specific training and accreditation to further help her clients.

She recently achieved the Accredited Estate Planner designation, which only 16 other CPAs in Florida have achieved.

The designation is awarded by the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils to estate planning professionals who meet special requirements of education, experience, knowledge, professional reputation and character.

Dunn oversees seven professionals and has clients in other states, too, which is one of the reasons the AEP designation was important to her.

The NAEPC is focused on establishing and monitoring high professional and educational standards.

"This accreditation raises the bar by requiring 15 years of direct experience and the graduate school equivalence in estate and tax planning," Dunn said.

"I sincerely enjoy working with entrepreneurs, athletes and entertainers to successfully preserve and then transfer the businesses and their wealth to successive generations," said Dunn, who grew up on



J. GWENDOLYNNE BERRY/Staff Photographer

'I sincerely enjoy working with entrepreneurs, athletes and entertainers' to preserve and then transfer their businesses and wealth to successive generations, Elizabeth Dunn says.

Biography**Age:** 56

Education: Bachelor's in business administration from Pace University, Lubin School of Business, and A.A.S. from Nassau Community College, both in New York. Also attended the MBA program at Pace University Graduate School of Business, New York.

Personal: Married to Jeff Dunn. They have two children, Emily, 24, and Jacob, 20, and live in Boca Raton.

Hobbies: Riding personal watercraft, golfing, traveling.

Career highlight: 'Being awarded the AEP accreditation and recommended by the national board of directors of NAEPC. This accreditation raises the bar by requiring 15 years of direct experience and the graduate school equivalence in estate and tax planning.'

New York's Long Island and recently launched a satellite office in White Plains, NY.

Although she's proud of her success in accounting, it may surprise some to know that she struggled with math when she was young.

"In college, I had tutoring, but once I got it, everything made sense to me," she said.

Her field is a good one for young people to consider, she said, because it opens many doors career-wise.

— Mary Thurwachter