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What keeps you interested in your line of work: The diversity of nature of work performed - ability to interact with a number of different businesses in a myriad of different industries.

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What keeps you interested in your line of work: My clients

Michael Smith

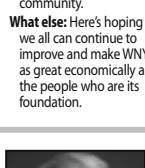
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What keeps you interested in your line of work: I love public accounting and working with my clients.



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What keeps you interested in your line of work: Working with a great team who try to be the best serving a great group of clients who want to be the best, while at the same time giving back to our community.
What else: Here's hoping we all can continue to improve and make WNY as great economically as the people who are its foundation.



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What keeps you interested in your line of work: Dealing with various businesses and industries, constantly changing issues, problem solving and meeting client needs, interaction with other professionals and long-term client relationships.



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What keeps you interested in your line of work: The relationships I have with my clients. I am very blessed to have a wonderful and very special group of clients to work with - people whom I care about very much.



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What keeps you interested in your line of work: Seeing the final result of helping people achieve their financial goals: paying for a child's/grandchild's college education, retirement.



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What keeps you interested in your line of work: Helping people through creative and proactive planning; building something - and paying tuition!



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Grandchildren: Alexandra, 8; Ryan, 4; Alexander, 2; Samantha, 5 months
What keeps you interested in your line of work: I enjoy working with people and God has blessed me by surrounding me with a great family whom I work with.

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