



David S. Royal

Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer

David Royal oversees all asset management activities at Thrivent, including investments for Thrivent's General Account, mutual funds, banking and trust, and mergers and acquisitions.

His responsibilities include serving as president of Thrivent Asset Management and president and trustee/director of Thrivent Mutual Funds, Thrivent Series Fund and Thrivent Trust Company. He previously was deputy general counsel of Thrivent and chief legal officer of Thrivent Mutual Funds.

Before joining Thrivent in 2006, Royal was a partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, an international law firm based in Chicago, where he practiced in the investment management and private equity groups. Since 2008, he has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Minnesota Law School where he teaches investment management law.

Royal served for nine years as vice-chair on the board of the Fairview Foundation, based in Minnesota. He currently serves as a director of the YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities. He also has served in a variety of leadership positions at his church, Trinity Lutheran Church in Long Lake, Minnesota.

Royal received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale College and his Juris Doctor from Yale Law School. He lives in Orono, Minnesota, with his wife, Stacey, and two sons.