

Bio
Lee S. Wishing, III

Lee Wishing married his college sweetheart and together they raised four children and are grandparents of twins. Serving as vice president for student recruitment for his alma mater, Grove City College, Lee Wishing grew up in the small western New York Village of Arcade. A son and grandson of entrepreneurs, he graduated from Pioneer High School where he was a member of the varsity soccer, swimming, and baseball teams as well as the National Honor Society. Graduating in 1979 he enrolled at Grove City College, played varsity soccer, served as president of the Nu Lambda Phi social fraternity and graduated in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He then sold life insurance and securities on behalf of his father's business, the Arcade Agency, Inc. In 1985, he joined Merrill Lynch in Pittsburgh as a financial consultant where he attained Executive Club status.

Entrepreneurial freedom enticed Wishing to form the Butler Investment Group partnership in 1987, which purchased, operated and sold two assisted living facilities and a public golf course. Selling his partnership interest in 1994, and seeking the next deal, Wishing received an unexpected call to return to his alma mater where he led the effort to found the college's think tank, the Institute for Faith and Freedom, and has served in communication and admissions management and marketing roles. He has served on several boards of directors, volunteered in political efforts, ran for Mercer County Commissioner, coached youth soccer, and served as church elder.