

# *Estate & Succession Planning for the Family Farm*

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## Speaker Biography

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A nationally recognized expert in agricultural and rural issues, Jason R. Henderson is Associate Dean in the Purdue University College of Agriculture and Director of Purdue Extension. In this role, he leads statewide public engagement and research-based education in 4-H Youth Development, Agricultural and Natural Resources, Community Development, and Health and Human Sciences. As Purdue's Assistant Vice President for Engagement, he provides leadership in university-wide initiatives that connect Purdue expertise and resources to statewide needs and helps form effective partnerships to grow Indiana's economy and improve quality of life for its residents.

Jason previously served as Vice President and Omaha Branch Executive at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. While serving as the Bank's regional economist and Nebraska representative, he also led Federal Reserve efforts to track agricultural and rural economies, including the *Tenth District Survey of Agricultural Credit Conditions* and the Federal Reserve System's *Agricultural Finance Databook*. He also managed the *Main Street Economist*, a bimonthly publication covering economic issues affecting rural areas, and has published more than 60 agricultural economics research articles in academic and Federal Reserve publications on such topics as land values, entrepreneurship, electronic commerce in agriculture, demographics, and many more. He holds masters and doctorate degrees in agricultural economics from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, and a bachelor's degree in economics from Central College in Pella, Iowa.