# **Team Crawford**

Lauren Buie, Ava Glassen, Marisa Gu, Shahla Le, & Deborah Yoon



Marketing Strategy

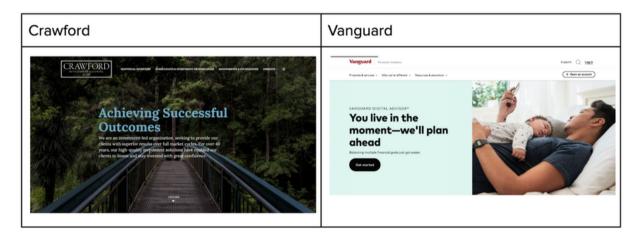
Best Practices ALMNAC Framework Perpetual Accumulation

### **Best Practices**

# 1

### Landing Page

Crawford's competitors include a more personal photo when you first click on the website. This helps to draw users in and relate to the content they are about to consume. The landing page also features a catchy tagline that involves the potential client. Including phrasing such as "you" and "us" adds humanity to the company.



### 2

### **Navigation Bar**

We enjoyed the three sections separating About Us, Client Benefits, and Trust & Security that Vanguard and Charles Swab use. Since Crawford repeats a lot of the information for their three client pools, they could do something similar to this navigation bar shown below. In general, it's good practice to create a well-organized and easily accessible navigation bar.

	Why we're different A Reso	urces & education ~				( + Open an account )
About us	Client benefits	Trust & security			Vanguard highli	ights
Why Vanguard	Benefits	Security at Vanguard			Who owns Vang	guard?
Investing at Vanguard	Fees & commissions	Our privacy policy			The value of ow	vnership
Brokerage built for you	Account conveniences	Accessibility				
	Vanguard mobile app					
	ACCOUNTS	TRADING & RESEARCH	INVESTMENT PRODUCTS	BANKING & BORROWING	FEATURED OFFERINGS	

### FAQ Page

3

A FAQ page is missing from Crawford's website and we believe it would help clients to identify if they meet the minimum requirements and why they should choose Crawford. It could also be a resource to answer commonly asked questions that may come up when searching for an investment firm.

We encourage your questions.							
Here are answers to some top questions from investors	Here are answers to some top questions from investors like you:						
+ What is the Schwab Security Guarantee?							
+ How much does it cost to work with Schwab?							
+ How do I open an account?	+ How do I open an account?						
+ What kind of investment products does Sci	+ What kind of investment products does Schwab offer?						
+ How easy is it to switch brokerage providers?							
+ Why should I bank with Schwab Bank?	+ Why should I bank with Schwab Bank?						
Have	Have more questions? We're here to help.						
Č	F	0					
Call Store Indices Data	Chat SAP 500	Visit					
Ouxed         Dire Informa         Dire Informa <thdire informa<="" th="">         Dire Informa</thdire>							

### 4

### Firm Overview

We recommend simplifying text and inserting more relatable images. This page is an opportunity to win over clients so we believe it should be where most of the compelling content is. Engaging fonts, icons, and smaller text blurbs could be beneficial in these areas.



#### Visuals

5

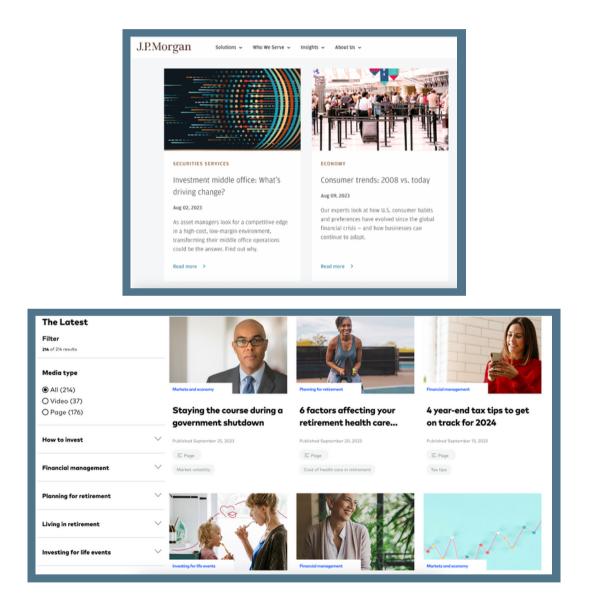
Again, icons are great, but there is too much text. Crawford's informational pages hardly have any visuals and the long paragraphs appear overwhelming at first glance. Breaking up large text sections with icons and imagery could help make the website more visually appealing and easier to read overall.

Crawford	Vanguard		
<page-header></page-header>	A plan and portfolio built around your goals Personalized planning Prevent with an address to built argue al forone participation of the port meets to prevent of the port meets to port meets to prevent of the port meets to port meets to prevent of the port meets to po		
We Call to a Common-Sense Approach to Investment Management <ul> <li> <ul> <li></li></ul></li></ul>	Ongoing support         We'll monitor your investments and rebalance your portfolio as needed.         Image: Control of the state		
<image/> <section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><image/><image/><image/><section-header><section-header><section-header><image/><image/><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header>	So Potential tax reduction** Take advantage of our free tax-loss harvesting service to help reduce your tax bill and keep more of your returns.		

### Content Filtering

6

We believe that the content filtering system could be redesigned to help users as they navigate the website's contents. Even if the template does not allow for filtering, you could add something to the image to easily identify the insight. Also including a blurb that summarizes the article below the title will help readers preview content and could help to increase engagement on the insights.



### 7

#### **History/Culture Page**

Adding a timeline to show how far Crawford Investment Counsel has come would be beneficial for the brand and for potential clients to see what the firm has accomplished. This page could also be a way to outline achievements and awards won over the years. It could also be an opportunity to emphasize the family-owned values that Crawford is so proud of.

### **ALMNAC Framework**

Ads (Traffic) → Landing Page → Magnet (Guide) → Nurture → Appointment = Client

### **Recap of ALMNAC**

ALMNAC is an advertising strategy used by Fisher Investments, one of Crawford's competitors, to attract new clients. This approach involves creating ads to generate traffic to a landing page featuring downloadable guides acting as a magnet. Prospects are then nurtured, which ultimately leads to a consultation appointment, thus converting the prospect into a client. The goal is to sell the value of a low commitment next step rather than their services straight away.

### How can Crawford implement ALMNAC?

Crawford can utilize this advertising strategy to attract prospective clients by promoting their podcasts/perspectives, presenting them as an insightful resource that aids potential clients in achieving their income needs and long-term growth goals.

The ads can be placed on webpages specifically targeted for their client demographic (e.g., Fox News, Forbes, WSJ, MarketWatch). The design should feature a benefit/problem-oriented headline, a concise explanation, and a clear call to action. Furthermore, the ad must utilize benefit-oriented language, such as "free guide," incorporate social proof, e.g., "over 1.3 million viewers," and emphasize the potential value, such as "from a \$7.5 billion investment management firm's perspective."

Crawford would then be able to identify prospective client needs by analyzing the type of ad they clicked on. For instance, the perspective titled "<u>How's My Portfolio Doing?</u>" suggests the client's concern about their long-term portfolio value.

Once the client clicks on the ad, the link will take them to a landing page where they can access the content in exchange for their phone number and email address. Additionally, a pop-up could ask a quick survey question to help the client self-qualify for Crawford's services, thus reducing time spent with non-qualified prospects.

If Crawford determines the client as a qualified prospect, they can use follow-up methods, such as phone calls or emails, to provide information about the services offered, such as portfolio reviews and financial planning. These initiatives can help contribute to a positive impression of Crawford as a reputable firm.

### **Perpetual Accumulation Registered Trademark**

### **Benefits of a Registered Trademark**

Since the Perpetual Accumulation<sup>™</sup> approach was formulated by Crawford's proprietary in-house research, registering a trademark will reaffirm Crawford as an expert in the field.

### **Redesigned Perpetual Accumulation Graphic**

The new graphic includes Crawford's brand colors and simplifies the text to easily convey the message of creating lasting wealth through Crawford's unique investment strategy.

