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SUMMARY

An Audit and Accountancy professional experienced in both external and internal audit engagements. With client acumen across various industries including manufacturing, commercial, service/s, construction, travel and tourism and real estate altogether with experience of more than 5 years. Utilizing excellent communication skills, I have also developed and maintained successful professional relationships with team and the client. I am eager in expanding my professional horizons to enhance further skills sets and experience while on same time also enjoy being part of an energetic and dynamic team.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Associate I - (full time – remote).

KPMG | Kingston, Jamaica.

February 2023 – August 2023.

- Planning & allocating resources and developing the audit strategy in accordance with relevant regulatory professional auditing and assurance standards and applicable firm guidance and methodology.
- Channeling coordination with the audit team and client interactions and ensuring the efficient flow of information throughout the assignment.
- Responsible for agreeing to audit timetables, monitoring budgets and supervising the firm audit process.
- Identifying early warning signals and communicating challenges and possible solutions, as well as potential opportunities, to their manager/senior manager/associate director/partner.
- Supervising Audit Associates and Interns on engagements and providing coaching, timely feedback, and reviewing their audit documentation to ensure completeness and sufficiency/ appropriateness of the audit evidence.
- Keeping engagement leaders up to date with progress throughout the course of the assignments.
- Review of financial statements while maintaining focus on quality and delivering the services keeping highest professional standards and levels of objectivity, independence, ethics and integrity according to the relevant accounting framework, company's regulation and other statutory reporting guidelines.
- Concluding the assignments and documentation alongside drafting reports and letters and discussions with management and shareholders.
- Review of the audit file ensuring proper sign-off of the Partner and Manager and closing out of audit file.
- Continuously developing and updating strong business acumen and industry knowledge to demonstrate value-add client service.

Senior Associate Audit and Assurance - (full time – onsite).

Grant Thornton | Doha, Qatar.

October 2020 – December 2022.

- Executing the day-to-day activities of audit engagements including meetings with individuals and teams to phase out the planning of the audit assignment.
- The design and execution of an engagement's audit approach and procedures in accordance with relevant regulatory, auditing and assurance standards, and applicable firm guidance and methodology.
- Planning & allocating resources and developing the audit strategy.
- Channeling coordination with the audit team and client interactions and ensuring the efficient flow of information throughout the assignment.
- Supervising Audit Associates and Interns on engagements and providing coaching, timely feedback, and reviewing their audit documentation to ensure completeness and sufficiency/ appropriateness of the audit evidence.
- Identifying and communicating potential issues and opportunities for audit efficiencies and process improvement to Managers and Partners on given assignment.
- Review of financial statements according to the relevant accounting framework, company's regulation and other statutory reporting guidelines.
- Concluding the assignments and documentation alongside drafting reports and letters and discussions with management and shareholders.
- Review of the audit file ensuring proper sign-off of the Partner and Manager and closing out of audit file.

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EXPERIENCE

Associate Audit and Assurance - (full time – onsite).

Grant Thornton | Doha, Qatar.
November 2018 – September 2020.

- Understanding of the process and designing of risk-based audit procedures.
- Performing analytical analysis and collaborating the plausible relationship in the line items of the financial statements.
- Coordinating meetings within team and with the client.
- Test of internal Control System and designing appropriate responses.
- Providing further insights in the preparation of additional procedures/ substantive procedures in response of assessed risk.
- Documenting the findings of the audit procedure in the work paper and potential impact on the opinion on the given sets of the financial statements.

Semi Senior Auditor - (full time – onsite).

KPMG | Karachi, Pakistan.
July 2017 – November 2018.

- Preparation of internal audit work program and Risk Control Matrix (RCM).
- Documenting the process with the help of flow charts, narratives and existing operating procedures.
- Identifying the control points within the existing process and controls and type of controls within the process.
- Identifying potential risk and assigning risk based on the impact and occurrence.
- Evaluating the adequacy of the control (I.e design) and effectiveness of control system in mitigating the risk against the objectives of identified controls.
- Documenting the observation and ineffectiveness identified within the control system resulting due to design or implementation of controls.
- Providing the recommendation on highlighted ineffectiveness within controls (design or implementation).
- Communicating the findings with the Management, those charged with governance and shareholders requiring management remedial actions.
- Following up with management to ensure remediation are implemented into the company's financial practices.
- Performed Special Assignments/Audits.

EDUCATION

Professional Qualifications

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| • Institute of Public Accountant – Australia. | 2022 |
| • Institute of Financial Accountant – UK. | 2022 |
| • Association of Chartered Certified Accountant – UK. | 2017 |
| • Institute of Chartered Accountant of England and Wales – UK (Expected*). | 2024* |

Academic Qualifications

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| • Bachelors of Applied Accountancy – Hons. | 2 nd Class |
| Oxford Brookes University – UK. | 2020 |
| • Bachelors of Commerce. | 1 st Class |
| University of Sindh – Pakistan. | 2015 |

EXPERIENCED SECTORS

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| • Manufacturing. | • Construction. |
| • Trading (Wholesale & Retail). | • Real Estate. |
| • Professional and Other services. | • Travel and Tourism. |

SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

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| • Risk assessment and planning. | • Time management and delivery. |
| • Resource allocation and cost budgeting. | • ICOFR and other assurance service. |
| • IFRS and ISA compliance. | • Group audits and reporting. |
| • Financial analysis and reporting. | • Report drafting. |
| • Data analysis (Excel, IDEA). | • Audit packages. |
| • Communication and coordination. | • Conducting training. |

COMMUNICATION CAPABILITIES

- English – Fluent.
- Urdu – Native.