BARBARA THOMAS, CPA

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East West University, Chicago, IL

2003-2009

Assistant Professor of Accounting

- Planned and taught a variety of accounting courses: Financial Accounting, Intermediate Accounting, Cost Accounting, Managerial Accounting.
- Advised students and participated in departmental meetings.

ABN AMRO, Chicago, IL

2000-2002

Finance Project Manager

- Recruited to manage merger and acquisition projects within the Corporate Controllers Group.
- Managed various projects to improve the efficiency of finance operations.

Northern Trust, Chicago, IL

1996-2000

Accounting Consultant, Trust Operations 1999-2000

- Consulted for business units within Trust Operations on how specific accounting requirements or issues impact investment results.
- Developed corporate wide trust accounting policies and procedures in compliance with GAAP and regulatory accounting principles.
- Worked with systems and operations partners to define accounting and tax requirements for new, global trust accounting system.

PACE Team Leader 1998-1999

- Supported client accounting with the migration and conversion to a new performance system.
- Provided technical expertise to Accounting Team Leaders and Senior Portfolio Accounting Analysts on a variety of audit and processing issues.
- Analyzed exceptions and root causes of errors and re-engineered process to ensure that client needs were met and efficient processes were put in place.

Senior Accounting Analyst 1996-1998

- Responsible for the accounting and financial reporting of large corporate ERISA accounts.
- Monitored and verified performance of client investments

Harris Bank, Chicago, IL

1995-1996

Financial Analyst, Trust Operations (temporary assignment)

Central Illinois Bank, Champaign, IL

Retail Staff

1994-1995

Martin Hood and Associates - CPA Firm, Champaign, IL Audit Staff

1993-1994

Wolf Tesar and Company - CPA Firm, Pekin, IL

1991-1993

Staff Accountant

EDUCATION

University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign

- Masters in Accountancy, 1991
- Bachelor of Science in Accountancy with High Honors, 1989

Additional Information

- CPA
- VITA Tax Program
- Adjunct Faculty Robert Morris College, Concordia University, College of Dupage-Various Accounting and Math courses
 / Visiting Assistant Professor Aurora University
- Secretary/Editor of Two Year College Section of American Accounting Association