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Accounting professional with 5+ years of experience in public accounting, leveraged with organizational and leadership skills developed during successful career in private industry.

SUMMARY

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| • Non-profit and government audit | • Analysis and management reporting |
| • Business tax and regulatory reporting | • Budget development and planning |
| • Financial statements GAAP | • Accounting systems and internal controls |
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CAREER EXPERIENCE

DERAIMO, ABENDROTH & ASSOCIATES, Orland Park, Illinois

Staff Accountant, 2017 to Present

- Audited and contributed on audit teams audits of over 30 charitable non-profits, homeowners associations, and labor union organizations throughout the Chicago area.
- Drafted audit reports and client correspondence, while ensuring compliance with GAAS.
- Prepared related 990 and 1120H tax returns and other required reporting for audit clients.

GROSKREUTZ, ABRAHAM, ESHLEMAN & GERRETSE LLC, Kankakee, Illinois

Staff Accountant, 2015 - 2017

- Audited and contributed on team audits of non-profit, governmental and private organizations, with revenues ranging from \$50,000 to \$60,000,000.
- Prepared over 30 business tax returns annually, comprised approximately equally of corporations, partnerships, and non-profit entities.
- Converted clients from Creative Solutions Accounting to Accounting CS.
- Updated client UltraTax coding to enable direct import into Ultra Tax, minimizing manual overrides.

DUFFNER & COMPANY, P.C., Palos Heights, Illinois

Staff Accountant, 2012 – 2015

- Prepared monthly compilations and tax returns McDonalds' franchisees with multiple store locations.
- Revamped Microsoft Excel worksheets and file structures to streamline monthly compilations.
- Alerted franchise owners to fraud by developing reconciliation for cash deposited via Brink's in-store processors; recovering \$10K from multiple employee thefts.

HOMESTAR BANK AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, Manteno, Illinois

Accounting Analyst, 2010 - 2012

- Responsible for financial reporting, analysis, and budgeting functions for three professional services divisions of established banking firm with \$350M in assets under management.
- Teamed effectively across 9-member department and coordinated with other departments to streamline monthly closings and analysis of results.
- Maintained accounting of bank's investment portfolio and monitoring pledged securities and investments' safe keeping for public funds.
- Created Excel analysis of CNS activity, delineating income and fees from debit/credit card transactions, enabling in-depth analysis of business with \$500,000 in annual revenues.

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ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Controller, MAECORP, INC., Chicago, Illinois

- Optimized financial reporting processes for \$19M environmental remediation and consulting company.
- Implemented an integrated financial system leading to greatly improved profit margins.
- Conserved \$65K by systematizing accounting procedures.
- Developed and enforced internal controls that detected and reduced fraud.

Financial Manager, USG CORPORATION, Chicago, Illinois

- Swiftly promoted at divisional and corporate levels of \$2B manufacturing and distribution company.
- Demonstrated excellence management of financial and governmental reporting, including direction of the monthly closing process, and expedited publication of results to management. .

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

M.A., Business Administration; 4.0 GPA | GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY - University Park, Illinois

B.S., Accountancy; Minor: Economics; | NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - DeKalb, Illinois

Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

Technical Proficiencies: Thompson Reuters CS Professional Suite, Accounting CS, UltraTax CS, Fixed Assets CS, Microsoft Office 360, Advanced Microsoft Excel (3-D spreadsheets, Vlookup, Macros,) MS Word, MS Access, MS PowerPoint, QuickBooks, Peachtree, Cisco Prime, IMB Cognos, Sage Fixed Asset Accounting, Intacct ERP, Salesforce CRM, Peachtree, QuickBooks