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Experience July, 2005-Current **University of Phoenix** Pittsburgh, PA
Graduate School of Business Management Faculty

Teach various courses in the graduate school which utilize my diversified experience and education providing the opportunity to enhance students' knowledge of business using stimulating material and case analysis. Experience includes teaching several accounting, finance and strategic management courses in the classroom and on-line. Courses taught for the graduate school include Accounting for Managerial Decision Making, Managing the Enterprise and Introduction to Finance and Accounting.

April, 2005-Current **Self-Employed** Pittsburgh, PA
Independent Consultant

Provide consulting services to various companies including financial management, performance and productivity improvement, project management, tax work, strategic planning, contract review and collections, legal document reviews, debt settlement, insurance and retirement plan recommendations and assist with due diligence work in the purchase or sale of a company.

February, 1992-Current **Sauer Industries, Incorporated** Pittsburgh, PA
Member of the Board of Directors

Serve on the Board of Directors for Sauer Industries, Inc. and Sauer Holdings, Inc. providing assistance on the strategic planning of the organization.

February, 1992-April, 2005 **Sauer Industries, Incorporated** Pittsburgh, PA
CFO and Corporate Controller

Served as a financial officer of a diversified parent company which owned an investment holding company and a software development company. Previously owned subsidiaries included several construction companies, a custom yacht manufacturer, and a staff augmentation and consulting company for power and industrial industries.

Responsibilities included:

- Budget and manage cash for all companies including a multi million dollar investment account.
- Procure and oversee business insurances for all companies and handle all significant claims and safety issues.
- Prepare financial statements for several companies as well as consolidated statements on a monthly basis.
- Financial statement audit and tax preparation review and coordination.
- Provide technical accounting support and training for subsidiaries.
- Lease negotiations for all companies.
- Oversee customer service retention including problem resolution.
- Bank and bonding company negotiations, presentations and relationships.
- Procure, oversee, and present employee benefits for all subsidiaries.
- Provide personal financial and tax planning assistance to the owner/President.
- Serve as Plan Administrator for the company's 401(k) plan and perform all related duties including employee presentations, discrimination testing, plan interpretation, fund performance review and audit preparation and coordination.
- Assist in the preparation, negotiation and review of all documents related to the sale of several subsidiaries.
- Serve as a board member and officer of each company.

Special Projects:

- Instrumental in the sale of a former subsidiary to the management of that company. Performed contract and financial statement reviews and negotiations. Responsible for providing information necessary to increase the selling price by an additional 17%.
- Primary contact for several lawsuits where the company has been either the plaintiff or defendant. Negotiated several favorable settlements on behalf of the company.

July, 1989-February, 1992 **Arthur Andersen & Company** Pittsburgh, PA
Senior Auditor

Member of the audit staff of the Enterprise Group serving small and medium sized businesses.

Responsibilities included:

- Supervising and performing audit engagements including the preparation of financial statements with related footnotes, analyzing risks in the external and internal environment to develop an audit plan and evaluating internal controls for weaknesses and proposing recommendations.
- Administrative responsibilities included training and evaluating staff personnel.
- Client base included service, manufacturing, distribution and educational organizations.

Special Projects:

- Inventory obsolescence evaluation.
- Fraud audit.
- Loan evaluation project.
- Initial public offering.
- Personal financial statement review.
- Several employee benefit audits.

Education 1996-2000 Duquesne University Pittsburgh, PA

- Masters Degree in Business Administration
- Graduated with Highest Honors –GPA 4.0/4.0

1985-1989 Duquesne University Pittsburgh, PA

- Bachelor of Science in Accounting
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude-GPA 3.9/4.0

Professional Certified Public Accountant

- Member of AICPA.
- Excellent leadership, team-building, problem-solving and decision making skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Technologically skilled in all Microsoft Office products and various accounting software packages including Libra, MAS 90 and QuickBooks.
- **Full scholarship** awarded by the AICPA to the 2009 AACSB Bridge Program hosted by Ohio State University developed to prepare high-level senior executives for a professionally qualified faculty position within an AACSB accredited business school.

Personal I am a high-energy, dedicated individual who seeks both professional and personal growth. I have proven to be dependable and able to meet strict deadlines. I enjoy team efforts and have strong interpersonal skills.

References available upon request