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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Jan 2009 -  
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**CHERRY BEKAERT LLP, Tampa, FL**  
***Advisory & Assurance Manager, Aug 2013 - present***

- Supervise over 60 engagements with multiple teams of 3-4 staff and senior accountants in the performance of all aspects of financial statement audits and agreed upon procedures on an annual basis for the following industries: Local and Special Purpose Governments, Not-for-Profit Entities, Hospitality, Commercial Real Estate, Manufacturing and Distribution, and Employee Benefit Plans. Annual revenues for clients ranging from \$10 million to \$500 million.
- Assist management and company owners with the preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and the income tax-basis (both GASB and FASB)
- Provide guidance to clients regarding the appropriate selection and application of accounting principles
- Evaluate internal control structures and provide recommendations to management for improvement
- Develop strong relationships with corporate executives and assess their concerns to provide value added services
- Manage multiple clients and assignments under pressure while meeting tight deadlines
- Responsible for staff scheduling, engagement budgeting, billing and collection, evaluation of engagement performance, and providing feedback to engagement team for improvement
- Provide guidance to staff and seniors for their continued development and success as their performance manager and mentor
- Local leader for training Florida practices on audits in accordance with OMB Circular A-133
- Instructor for several firm trainings of audits and other assurance services – both in a lecture and classroom setting
- Instrumental in the Tampa office's recruiting, interviewing and selection process for hiring interns, staff, seniors and managers
- Chair of the Tampa office's committee for various program/project implementations
- Draft proposals for potential clients
- Work closely with four other managers and senior managers to ensure office camaraderie and best use of personnel to achieve both staff and client satisfaction

***Audit Senior, Aug 2011 – Aug 2013***

- Responsible for the coordination, planning, risk assessment, and design of audit procedures
- Performed internal control and substantive testing over all aspects of client financials
- Applied analytical procedures to identify and evaluate relationships amongst financial statement areas and compared to industry trends and changes in the client's business
- Supervised, reviewed, and developed audit staff and interns through on-the-job training
- Prepared presentations, financial statements, and required communication letters to present to the Board of Directors and/or Audit/Finance Committees
- Assisted clients with the implementation of several new accounting standards issued by the GASB

***Audit Staff, Jan 2009 – Aug 2011***

- Responsible for gaining an understanding of the client and their internal controls, identifying key controls and ensuring those key controls are in place and operating effectively
- Applied audit procedures to various line items in financial statements to ensure risk was appropriately addressed and balances were accurate
- Performed analytical procedures to identify unusual trends and discussed those trends with management
- Summarized and created abstracts for key terms of debt and lease agreements
- Note: I worked as an audit staff at KPMG, Tampa for the period of March 2010 through November of 2010.

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**EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS:**

July 2013      **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**, licensed in the State of Florida – AC46145

Dec 2009      **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**, Tampa, FL  
*Master of Accountancy*

May 2008      **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**, Tampa, FL  
*Bachelor of Science in Accounting*

**Proficient in use of Microsoft Office, Adobe, and ProSystems Engagement**

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**AFFILIATIONS:**

- Member, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Member, Government Finance Officers Association
- Board Member, University of South Florida Accounting Circle
  - 2011 – Welcome Back Picnic Committee Member
  - 2012 – Welcome Back Picnic Committee Chair
  - 2013 – Treasurer (new position)
  - 2014 – CPE Conference Committee Member

***REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST***