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OBJECTIVE

An experienced business professional seeking a position in the accounting/tax area. Qualified by 31 years experience in accounting, tax, and audit within both the public and private sectors.

CAREER OVERVIEW

Insurance Auto Auctions

Westchester, IL

Finance Project Manager

2006 to Present

Responsibilities

- Coordinate and implement process improvement related projects for the corporate accounting department
- Assist in the integration of the financial records of newly acquired business entities
- Prepare and monitor accuracy of all payroll journal entries
- Provide other accounting services as requested by the corporate controller

Accomplishments

- Successfully implemented and maintained new web based employee expense reimbursement system used by over 625 employees.
- Successfully implemented automated payroll journal entry upload system with ADP personnel. This system eliminates the manual generation of these journal entries, saving time, money, and human resources.
- Contributed to the business integration of IAA's three largest acquisitions; Adesa Impact, ADS, and Indiana Auto Storage Pool Company

Indiana Auto Storage Pool Co.

Indianapolis, Indiana

Controller

2001 to 2006

Responsibilities

- Business advisor to ownership, developing and implementing business and process improvement strategies
- Oversaw operation of company accounting, human resource, and tax functions
- Provided oversight and review of the handling of cash and other internal controls.
- Administered company provided retirement and 401(k) plans, including monitoring of investment strategies

Accomplishments

- Developed the conversion of financial data between operating systems in 2003, and oversaw the conversion of data during IAA integration in 2006.
- Managed and implemented the migration of financial data into IASP operating system during the acquisition of Central Auto Pool.
- Complete design and implementation of new accounting system needed after the transition to new operating system in 2003 and again in 2004 with the acquisition of Central Auto Pool.
- Developed and implemented internal controls relating to file maintenance, document flow, and cash management necessary after the 2003 change in operating systems.

BKD/OLIVE LLP

Manager 1998-2001

Indianapolis, Indiana

Responsibilities

- Managed property tax practice within the firm's State and Local Tax Group
- Provided clients with real estate and personal property tax review and appeal services
- Provided pro-active services such as audit representation, securing property tax abatements, property tax outsourcing and tax return preparation

Accomplishments

- Grew the property tax practice to approximately \$300,000 in annual revenues
- Built strong working relationships with firm's partners and client base
- Obtained hundreds of thousands of dollars through audit and appeal representation
- Obtained over \$4 million in tax abatement benefits for clients in a variety of industries

Ernst & Young LLP

Senior Manager 1996-1998

Indianapolis, Indiana

Manager 1993-1996

Responsibilities

- Grew and managed the property tax practice within the State and Local Tax Group
- Provided clients with real estate and personal property tax review and appeal services
- Provided pro-active services such as audit representation, securing property tax abatements, property tax outsourcing and tax return preparation

Accomplishments

- Created, then grew, the property tax practice to approximately \$700,000 in annual revenues
- Hired and supervised staff of five professionals
- Built strong working relationships with firm's partners and client base
- Obtained hundreds of thousands of dollars through audit and appeal representation
- Obtained over \$6 million in tax abatement benefits for clients in a variety of industries

AMAX COAL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Tax Supervisor 1986-1993

Indianapolis, Indiana

Responsibilities

- Managed all real and personal property tax assessment issues of AMAX and its subsidiaries (approx. \$30 million in tax liabilities)
- Supervised and reviewed the preparation of all personal property tax returns for AMAX and its subsidiaries
- Maintained and recorded all property tax accruals and related general ledger activity

Accomplishments

- Working with outside council, successfully resolved Indiana personal property tax audit issues for years 1985-1988
- Defended company positions during 1989 Indiana reassessment resulting in no change in the companies total tax liability
- Implemented the automation of Indiana personal property tax reparation process
- Participated on committees formed by the State Board of Tax Commissioners to review proposed 1989 real estate and personal property tax regulations.

STATE OF INDIANA

Field Auditor 1976-1986

Board of Tax Commissioners

Responsibilities

- Conducted personal property tax audits of major commercial and industrial taxpayers
- Reviewed tax exemptions relating to resource recovery systems, enterprise zones, and tax abatements
- Provided legal testimony, as required
- Trained newly hired auditors and local assessing officials

Accomplishments

- Completed audits relating to many of the most complex personal property tax assessments
- Gained extensive knowledge of a wide variety of business processes
- All litigated audit recommendations were upheld
- Trained four personal property tax field auditors
- Prepared and represented the State Tax Board's first comprehensive personal property assessment training sessions for local assessing officials

EDUCATION

INTERNATIONAL JR. COLLEGE

A.S. Accounting 1975

Fort Wayne, Indiana

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Excels working in both individual and team environments
- Possesses good oral and written communication skills
- Strong overall understanding of business and operation processes and problems present in the auto salvage auction industry
- Experience in deployment and monitoring of business processes
- Experienced in the use of all Windows applications, MAS 90 and Great Plains accounting packages, and several industry specific operating systems