### PATRICK J. COLLINS, MBA - Accounting, CFE, CPA

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Senior Audit Executive with proven ability to successfully direct audits as a Director after achieving promotions from Associate Director, Senior Manager, Manager, Supervisor and Senior Internal Auditor.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Experis Finance (a Manpower Group company), New York, NY present *Project Professional*

5/2011 to

- Improve efficiency and effectiveness of audit processes by leveraging technology such as audit based documentation software (TeamMate, Open Pages, MS Office and various proprietary software packages).
- Proficient in using the Risk Based Integrated Audit methodology (includes internal audit planning, execution of Written and verbal communication of results to stakeholders of projects and assist in preparing the Business process flow for financial and operational controls) and subject matter audit expertise with COSO financial reporting assertions for Sarbanes Oxley (SOX) 404, GAAP financial accounting and SEC Reporting (all aspects of internal controls assessment including risk assessment, control design adequacy and operating effectiveness) resulting in the CEO and CFO meeting its SOX attestation requirements timely for 2011.
- Volunteer for Save the Animals Rescue Team (Startpets.net), Member of Community Blood Services with 94 total donations (every 8 weeks, www.communitybloodservcies.com), and jog 4 miles, 3-4 times a week and fund raising for charity 5Ks.

# David Landau and Associates, Fairfield, NJ Senior Consultant

8/2010 to 5/2011

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### **TIAA-CREF,** New York, NY

9/2006 -

6/2010

### Senior Internal Auditor (Acting Manager)

Proficient in using the Risk Based Integrated Audit methodology (includes internal audit planning, execution of Written and verbal communication of results to stakeholders of projects and assist in preparing the Business process flow for financial and operational controls) and subject matter audit expertise with COSO financial reporting assertions for Sarbanes Oxley (SOX) 404, GAAP financial accounting and SEC Reporting (all aspects of internal controls assessment including risk assessment, control design adequacy and operating effectiveness) resulting in the CEO and CFO meeting its SOX attestation requirements timely for 2006 to 2009. Prepared and presented educational seminars to the business and stakeholders on how to implement SOX mitigating controls for risks, including prevention and detection of fraud risks.

- Participated in a leadership and supervisor of 20 junior staff continually beginning from the start up (2006) of the Internal Control Unit to its absorption by Internal Audit (2009), dedicated to implementing risk assessment, control design adequacy and operating effectiveness of SOX internal control requirements.
- Reduced the costs of using outside consultants by being a subject matter expert for financial reporting of technical areas such as insurance (including 2010 Model Audit Rule), real estate, broker-dealer in securities, anti money laundering, accounting policies, data warehouse, and TIAA-CREF and CREF funds.
- Appointed to the elite Financial Information Framework Project Team as a controls expert, which will drive millions(\$) in cost reductions by improving the efficiency and effectiveness of financial information.
- Identified and implemented auditing measures resulting in \$900 million in real estate write-offs due to the downturn in the United States of America and global economies.
- Initiated at least a 35 % time savings by applying new SEC guidelines to key controls, for example, auditing higher level controls leading to reduction of completion time from 15 days to 8 hours.
- Prepared and presented educational seminars to the business and stakeholders on how to implement SOX mitigating controls for risks, including prevention and detection of fraud risks.
- Leader for TIAA-CREF's volunteer campaign that resulted in the accrual of community good will by participating in CEO's initiatives of the literacy and outreach programs, such as reading to children in primary schools, "job shadow" for secondary schools, and Association of Retarded Citizens of Essex County (ARC).

# **LAZAR LEVINE & FELIX, CPAs(now ParenteBeard, CPAs),**New York, NY11/2001 – 9/2006 *Director*

Contributed to the successful settlements of more than \$600 million for our clients by executing various "value added" project auditing services for counsel involved in litigation and dispute resolution. Case experience supplemented the internal audit function and includes preparation of

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reports and presentations of findings, accompanying schedules of analyses, graphs and flowchart exhibits work and implemented planning, staffing, and executing Internal Audit function and responsible for sales and proposal development.

## ROTHSTEIN, KASS & COMPANY, CPAs, Roseland, NJ

11/2000 -

10/2001

#### Manager

Managed certified audits, accounting, tax and consulting services for private investment partnerships (hedge funds were invested in the capital markets, including derivatives) and broker-dealers in securities, success was evidenced by the Rothstein firm's increased billings for the year 2001 over 2000. In addition, implemented planning, staffing, and executing Audits.

**Kroll Associates (now Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.),** New York, NY 12/1996 – 9/2000

\*\*Associate\*\*

#### Director

Contributed to the successful outcomes for our clients by executing various "value added" project auditing and risk management services for Kroll's Financial Services Group, success was evidenced by Kroll's increasing revenues each year from 1996 through 2000.

#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

Shore & Azimov, CPAs (now Marsh&McLennan Companies, Inc.), Manager NY, NY1994 – 1996

Campos	& Stratis,	CPAs,	Manager,	Teaneck, N.	J
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1987 -

1994

Coopers & Lybrand (now PriceWaterhouseCoopers), Supervisor Newark, NJ

1984 -

1987

Campos & Stratis, CPAs, Manager, Teaneck, NJ

1981 –

1984

Radics & Company, CPAs, Junior Accountant, Haledon, NJ

1980 -

1981

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

Certified Public Accountant (**CPA**) – New Jersey 1983 Certified Fraud Examiner (**CFE**)-1990

#### **EDUCATION**

Master of Business Administration in Accounting (1980), Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ

**Bachelor of Arts in Economics** (1975), Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts **Certificate in Computer Science** (1987, 30 credits computer science courses)

Bergen Community College, Paramus, NJ