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Education:

MS-Accountancy with Emphasis in Taxation, Virginia Tech, 1985
BS-Accounting, Virginia Tech, 1984

Professional Experience:

32 years in Professional Accounting working as a tax professional

20 years as a Tax Partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers with a total of 22 years in total with PWC.

10 years with Arthur Andersen.

Began my career in a tax group of 15 professionals in 1986 prior to specializing in technical skills and industry, prepared all types of entity filings, researching and developing written advice for a broad range of technical matters. Heavy emphasis during this time was with closely held businesses and the tax matters of the owners.

Shifted my career interest toward multinationals (MNCs) and their relevant tax issues. This also included doing more work for Public Companies and their related accounting for income tax issues.

Three-year assignments in 3 foreign locations.

Moscow, Russia (2000 to 2003)—I was responsible for providing Russian tax advice for direct and indirect tax issues for Fortune 200 sized companies. Mentoring and developing 100% Russian native staff in all elements of client service including writing advice in English, communication with clients, and understanding risk management expectations including FCPA.

Shanghai, China (2006 to 2009)—Pan Asian role serving as Tax Line of Service Account Leader for MNCs with Regionally based Tax and Controllershship personnel. Lead the implementation of FIN 48 on the Asian operations for many of these accounts. This included 50 plus seminars to in country PWC teams as well as client teams. Supervised Mandarin speaking staff as well as quite a few Chinese natives that had spent part of their education and career in the US.

Geneva, Switzerland (2009 to 2012)—Served as global tax leader on one of PWCs top 50 accounts based in Switzerland. Client was a new SEC registrant as well as being U.S. tax parented. Responsible for global tax planning on the account and the auditing of the global tax provision including controls. Role also included the launch of PWC's Tax Accounting and Advisory Services for tax returns, financial reporting, controls, and overall compliance.

Based in NYC starting 2012. Member of the Industry Services Group serving the largest MNCs in the Consumer, Industrial Product, Pharma, and Technology Sectors. Served as Lead Tax Partner on many named brand accounts. Some of these accounts were also US operations of Foreign Corporations. Responsible for tax provisions on Audited clients and overall tax relationship on these accounts.

Led post deal global tax integration of PWC's acquisition of Booz, Inc. This was a multi-year project and included significant foreign integration of legal structures and inherited matters.

Teaching:

2019 to present—Professor of Practice at Virginia Tech—Teaching Introduction to Tax for Accounting Majors, Individual Taxation for Financial Planning Majors, and Multijurisdictional Taxation for Masters of Tax students

1985—taught 2 sections each quarter of Principles of Accounting at Virginia Tech as a Graduate Teaching Assistant

Led many seminars over my career starting in my Manager days. This included subjects such as the Check the box rules, Russian tax matters for investors, FIN 48 roll out in Asia, and, Tax Accounting updates for quarterly Swiss Tax client seminars.

2015 and 2016—taught two sections (internal training) of multiday courses for Sec. 382—Loss Corporations, and Secs. 301-304 for Distributions and Redemptions.

Authorship:

China: Determining Uncertain Tax Positions in China. (August 2007).

Other Activities:

Chair of Shanghai Active Kids—largest programmer for expat families in Shanghai

Tampa Foreign Trade Council—finance chairman

Richmond Visual Arts Center (aka Hand Workshop)—Finance Chairman

Junior Achievement, Charlotte—volunteer for classwork, led speaker series

Beta Omega Chapter Theta Xi—Alumni Board President, currently Active Chapter Faculty

Advisor and University Liaison

VITA—volunteer preparer Winter 2020

Outside Interests: non-fiction reading, live music, golf, VT football and travel