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FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL

- Analytically minded professional who identifies, streamlines, and resolves complex issues, capitalizing opportunities that enhance and optimize finance and accounting processes.
- Collaborative leader with demonstrated success in contributing multi-million-dollar savings, managing up to \$120M organizations, and creating and maintaining positive and productive work environments.
- ➤ **Highly adaptable with record of exceptional performance in broad-based industries,** including hospitality, manufacturing, retail, non-profit, utilities, and local government.
- > Hold an MBA in Accounting. Possess strong technical acumen and advanced Microsoft Excel skills.

PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Revenue & Cash Enhancements

- Negotiated sale of company (\$30M) to a venture capital group. [Imperial Technology, Inc.]
- **Restructured fees, previously not reviewed in decades.** Restructured fees after completing comprehensive study through utility consultant. **Rate increases for five years** adopted by City Council. [City of Avalon]

Cost Control & Reduction

- Reviewed and audited hotel management contract and identified \$500K overpayment. [City of Montebello]
- Saved \$3M for the community facilities district, by refunding (refinancing) \$12M in bonds [Truckee Donner Public Utility District] and \$1.4M for the City by refunding \$10M in bonds. [City of Montebello]
- Identified \$11,000 of qualified health plan expenses as eligible credits on quarterly payroll tax return. [BHS]

Leadership/Employee Management

- Significantly improved employee morale in the accounting office, while also creating positive and productive interdepartmental relationships, by clarifying policies and procedures and creating more involvement in decision making, as appropriate circumstances would allow. [Tahoe Donner Association & City of Montebello]
- Created and successfully implemented a corrective action plan to modify policies & procedures, and provided training, increasing internal controls in response to a 2018 State Auditor Report. [City of Montebello]

Technology Management

- Successfully evaluated, implemented, and managed ERP systems. [Implementation of Navision ERP at Imperial Technology, Inc. & evaluation of NISC ERP at Truckee Donner Public Utility District]
- Seamlessly upgraded accounting software with zero downtime and without business interruptions. [NISC ERP at Truckee Donner Public Utility District & New World ERP at City of Montebello]
- Enabled greater productivity and accuracy by automating purchase orders, fixed asset tracking, and miscellaneous billing through a seamless upgrade to software. [SunGard at City of Avalon & New World ERP at City of Montebello]
- Created a semi-automated process, uploading check records to bank's Positive Pay check protection service. [BHS]

TECHNICAL SKILLS

ADP Payroll | IBM Cognos | Microsoft Navision | Microsoft Dynamics SL | Microsoft Office Suite | SAP Crystal Reports Micros Point of Sale | National Information Systems Coop (NISC) | QuickBooks | Superion/SunGard – eFinancePLUS Resort Technology Partners (RTP) | Abila / Sage MIP Fund Accounting | Tyler Technologies / New World ERP

EDUCATION

MBA Degree International Business; concentration in Business Finance and Accounting; including Cultural Diversity CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY DOMINGUEZ HILLS – Carson, CA

BS Degree Business Administration – Management Accounting (Graduated cum laude)

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SOLUTIONIST CONSULTING

04/2020 - Present

Small Business Client	Services	
Commercial Door Installation & Repair	Implement QuickBooks Online; training; enter prior year transactions, reconcile bank accounts, review complex contracts	
Consultant - Financial	Prepare S-Corp tax return	
Consultant - Personal Services	Review Federal Covid assistance application	
Corporate Event Planning	Provide bookkeeping: process transactions, sales tax returns, payroll, reconcile accounts; migrate QuickBooks Desktop to QuickBooks Online	
Country Club Aquatics Department	Create an annual financial budget model; training	
Fitness Club	Implement QuickBooks Online; training	
General Construction Contractor	Launch website; discuss organization strategy	
Logistics & Freight	Review Federal Covid assistance application	
Nail Salon	Review Federal Covid assistance application	
Non-profit - Mental Health	Assess processes and implement automated technology; reconcile accounts; train employees; Federal Covid assistance reporting	
Non-profit - Religious Organization	Review and reconcile balance sheet accounts	
Non-profit - Youth Programs	Direct finance and risk management department; coordinate annual audit; reconciliations; PPP loan forgiveness application; training	
Restaurant	Review franchise contract; negotiations; register multi-member LLC; document organization agreement; business plan; financial projection model	
Restaurant	Review Federal Covid assistance application	

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY PRIOR TO SOLUTIONIST CONSULTING

Company	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
City of Montebello	Finance Director	09/2018 – 01/2020
Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles	Consultant	07/2018 - 08/2018
City of Avalon	Finance Director	07/2015 - 04/2018
Truckee Donner Public Utility District	Administrative Services Manager	11/2007 - 07/2015
Tahoe Donner Association	Accounting Manager	09/2005 - 10/2007
Le Beach Club	Controller	01/2004 - 06/2005
Imperial Technology Inc.	Chief Financial Officer	04/1990 – 12/2003
Hilton Hotels Corporation – Various Hotels	Night Auditor> Comptroller	06/1983 - 03/1990

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERISM

Manhattan Bch American Martyrs Community | Lennox St. Margaret Center | Truckee Sales Tax Oversight Committee

Truckee Concern for the Poor Committee | Avalon Rotary | Truckee Family Resource Center Treasurer

Truckee Paid Parking Committee | Truckee Hospital District Ethnic Disparities Strategy Group