Dawn Brickell Bryant

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Privately Held CPA Firms

December 1996 - Present

Connecticut, Massachusetts, and North Carolina

Audit & Accounting Director – Responsibilities include planning, supervising, and completing engagements with a concentration in the field of auditing, specializing in nonprofit organizations, as well as overseeing the audit and accounting department of the firm.

Audit Senior Manager – Responsibilities included planning, supervising, and completing engagements with a concentration in the field of auditing, specializing in nonprofit, real estate and construction organizations as well as overseeing the nonprofit practice of the firm including scheduling, budgeting, training of staff and weekly meetings.

Audit Manager – Responsibilities included budgeting, planning, supervising staff, performing fieldwork and preparation of financial statements. Primary focus was auditing with an industry specialization in nonprofits.

In-Charge Accountant & Auditor - Responsibilities included preparation of individual and corporate tax returns, supervision of bookkeeping and payroll write-up, and preparation of audit work papers and financial statements.

University of Connecticut

January 2013 – Present

Adjunct Professor – Department of Public Policy

Business Functions for Nonprofits (Fall 2013 - Present)

Financial Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations (Spring 2013)

Volunteer Positions

Colburn-Keenan Foundation

September 2011 – Present

Privately held Foundation

Dedicated to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families living with chronic illnesses, with priority placed on those living with bleeding disorders

President and Board Member and previously Treasurer

Allied Community Services, Resources & Rehabilitation Centers

October 2014 - July 2019

Private, non-profit organization

Dedicate to providing individuals with disabilities or other challenges the opportunity to live and enjoy a productive, independent, and fulfilling life.

Treasurer, Board Member, Finance Committee, Investment Committee and Employee Benefit Committee

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (continued)

Volunteer Positions (continued)

CT Association of Nonprofits

May 2010 – August 2015

Private, nonprofit organization

Largest membership organization in the state dedicated to working with nonprofits in Connecticut. By connecting organizations with information, education, advocacy and collaboration, the Association helps members focus their energy on the people and community they serve.

Authored and presented at various functions for the Association

Decoding and Implementing Nonprofit Financial Statements (Training)

Essentials in Budgeting (Training)

How Fundraising Efforts Impact Your Budget (Conference)

Is it time for a new auditor? (Roundtable)

Nonprofit Financial Statements - Are they really that different than For-Profits? (Training)

Preparing, Management and Reporting of Revenue and Support (Training)

Strategic Financial Management: Supporting Your Mission (Conference)

Understanding Nonprofit Financial Statements (Training)

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Asheville

Asheville, North Carolina

Bachelor Degree in Accounting - Financial Track

Summa Cum Laude - GPA 4.0
Distinction in Accounting
Distinction as a University Research Scholar

DISTINCTIONS AND HONORS

AICPA Level II Achievement Test - 99th Percentile Ranking for Nation

North Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants, Asheville Area Chapter Scholarship Award in recognition of Academic Excellence in Accounting

University of North Carolina at Asheville, Department of Management and Accountancy Award in recognition of outstanding directed research in accounting

Prepared and presented a directed research project on accounting ethics at the Tenth National Conference on Undergraduate research in accounting

Inducted into Sigma Beta Delta, the University of North Carolina at Asheville Chapter, a National Honor Society in Business, Management and Administration in recognition of high scholastic achievement