



Curriculum Vitae of Jeff DeBell, CPA

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EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Intimately involved in short term and long-lived litigation with proven ability to retain detailed working knowledge of cases resulting in better-than-expected outcomes. Experienced senior financial executive with hands-on experience in both business and as a third party consultant. Trustworthy and relied upon advisor to CEO/Chairman, board members and stockholders. Have enjoyed excellent working relationships with attorneys and clients involved in litigation matters with the ability to bring accounting/management skills to bear on complex issues.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Co-executor, co-trustee (January 2010 – present)

Providing executor, trustee, accounting and consulting services for a substantial estate, the successor trusts and businesses owned by the various trusts comprising approximately twenty-five legal entities

Consultant, Seattle, WA (Sept. 2008 - present)

Providing consulting services in accounting, tax, insurance claims, estate planning, litigation support (plaintiff and defendant), acquisition and divestiture support to a variety of clients, including winding down my former employer

Coastal Transportation, Inc., Seattle, WA (April 2009 – April 2011)

Freight company operating six vessels between Seattle and various ports in Western Alaska, recruited as CFO

- Assisted in the development and implementation of a long-range, generational planning platform for the owners
- Streamlined budgeting model and led management team through the process
- Reviewed, upgraded and improved internal control structure
- In process of managing the implementation of an entity wide software migration
- Developed new “early warning” programs resulting in better control of customer credit limits and collection of receivables
- Provided mentorship to “next generation” of management

All Alaskan Seafoods group of companies, Seattle WA (1989 - Sept. 2008)

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Fishing and processing company with multiple operating facilities generating revenues in excess of \$150M, recruited as Vice President of Finance and Administration, and subsequently also Corporate Secretary, Trustee, Board member, Investor and Manager. (Company was closed in late 2008 by vote of the owners.)

- Key member of the negotiation and management team of multiple highly profitable one-of-a-kind Russian/U.S. fishing joint ventures with annual revenues in excess of \$120M. Developed and implemented exit strategy due to changes imposed by the Russian government
- Implemented company-wide work safety program, including revamped hiring procedures, which substantially reduced the number of injuries and incurred losses
- Located and acquired financing from varied foreign and domestic sources including eight figure funding from two U.S. government programs
- Reorganized risk management profile with brokers in London and Seattle, reducing insurance costs between \$1.5M and \$2.4M annually
- Led company-wide drive in strategic planning, budgeting, financial and tax reporting
- Hired and developed staff resulting in a highly efficient and economical financial and administrative team
- Highly involved in the negotiation, sale, and disposition of assets upon decision to liquidate
- With the Chairman, evaluated potential new business ventures and where appropriate, presented such opportunities to the owners for approval
- Developed and implemented down-sizing plan as business began to decline
- Implemented equity reorganization due to foreign owner's unwillingness to comply with restrictive bank covenants
- Responsible for all legal work including involvement in several cases heard by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and two cases heard by the U.S. Supreme Court

Public Accounting, Seattle, WA (1976 - 1989)

Certified Public Accountant with two national firms; Price Waterhouse (now PriceWaterhouseCoopers) and Grant Thornton (GT). Started as staff accountant at Price Waterhouse and progressed to Senior Manager of the Seattle office of GT. Was offered partnership with GT as the Seattle office Partner-in-Charge at the time of departure to All Alaskan.

- Involvement in several IPOs and private placements for Seattle based companies
- Involvement in several national GT audit standards reviews in offices around the country (one of two non-partners selected for this assignment)
 - Selection as a founding member of the national GT audit efficiency review team (the only non-partner selected) and successfully completed reviews in several offices
 - Responsible for the technical review of the largest audit clients in the Seattle office of GT
 - Responsible for coordination of all inter-office audit assignments to the Seattle office of GT
 - Responsible for the delivery of services to a diverse group of clients

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Bachelor of Arts in Accounting, Beta Gamma Sigma Honors Graduate

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

AICPA American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, member

WSCP Washington Society of Certified Public Accountants, member



University of Washington Accounting Development Fund Board of Trustees, former member

Washington State Board of Accountancy, Quality Assurance Review Team, former founding member

Washington Society of CPAs Financial Statement Review Committee, former member

CRISTA Ministries, former member of the Board of Trustees, served as Treasurer for several years and held Chairmanships of the following committees: Schools, Senior Community, and Finance

Seattle Pacific University, Executive Advisory Council to the Dean of the School of Business, former member

Seattle Pacific University, Adjunct Professor of Accounting

