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Professional Summary

Seasoned financial executive with over two decades of experience in financial management and strategic operations across diverse industries.

Expertise in guiding financial strategies and accounting practices for a wide range of business structures, from multi-entity companies to specialized medical distributors. Demonstrated exceptional ability in establishing robust accounting frameworks, ensuring regulatory compliance, and leading cross-functional teams to meet and exceed financial objectives. Adept at managing a complex portfolio of LLCs, integrating innovative financial systems and processes that enhanced operational efficiency and accuracy across multiple states. Expertly navigated the intricacies of corporate finance, from initiating startup entities to orchestrating large-scale financial negotiations and support measures. Instrumental in leading the transition of accounting systems and developing training to elevate team capabilities, ensuring seamless operational continuity and optimized performance.

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

Work Experience

Controller

Multi-Entity Company-Arizona to Texas

January 2017 to August 2024

Oversaw day-to-day operations across 46 diverse entities spanning retail, real estate, and storage sectors, ensuring cohesive business functions and strategic alignment. Collaborated with entrepreneurs managing a portfolio of 46 LLCs spanning retail, apartment complexes, commercial properties, storage facilities, and construction companies. Conducted training sessions for bookkeepers to ensure consistency and accuracy in financial reporting. Supported CPA with annual closures and tax preparations, including the filing of sales and payroll taxes. Performed account reconciliations at month-end to maintain accurate financial records. Supervised accounting operations across all entities, ensuring accurate financial management, compliance, and reporting. Spearheaded negotiations with bankers to facilitate loan processes, including COVID-related financial support, from application through funding.

Managed full-cycle accounting operations through month-end for nine LLCs and supervised financial reporting for remaining entities.

- Launched nine successful companies, expanding the organizational footprint across multiple states including Texas, and diversifying business interests to optimize market presence and profitability.
- Enhanced financial protocols to support scalable growth and operational efficiency.
- Established and maintained strategic relationships with presidents of major banks, securing multimillion-dollar loans to support business expansion and operational needs.
- Spearheaded initiatives that resulted in the generation of \$9 million in revenue during the COVID-19 pandemic, which was integral to sustaining operations without the need for repayment.
- Managed extensive property portfolios including nine apartment complexes, commercial properties, and 300 storage units, optimizing asset management and revenue generation across different geographical locations.
- Established nine LLCs, coordinating legal and operational frameworks to align with CEO directives.
- Implemented accounting systems across multiple states from Arizona to Texas, improving financial operations and compliance.

CFO

Scientific Vision Systems-Carlsbad, CA

January 2000 to December 2015

Directed inventory management processes, including training on best practices, establishing procedures, and conducting physical counts quarterly. Served as the primary financial manager for the largest Sony medical distributor in the Pacific Northwest, ensuring robust financial oversight and strategic growth. Negotiated and managed numerous financial instruments, including non-revolving lines of credit and bank loans, in collaboration with external banking institutions.

- Executed full cycle accounting responsibilities, enhancing financial accuracy, and reporting capabilities.
- Led cross-functional training programs, developing skills across various departments from reception and customer service to inventory management and collections.
- Orchestrated a significant software transition from QuickBooks to MAS90, overseeing system implementation and performing in-depth training for all staff members.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Business with emphasis on Accounting

Oregon State University - Orissa

Skills

- Software Transition Management
- Financial Reporting
- Training & Development
- Financial Management
- Tax Preparation & Filing
- Accounting System Implementation
- Loan Negotiation & Management
- Strategic Planning
- Account Reconciliation
- Full-Cycle Accounting
- Inventory Management
- Legal & Operational Framework
- General Ledger Accounting
- Asset Management
- QuickBooks
- Accounts Payable
- Journal Entries
- Office Management
- Financial Analysis
- GAAP
- Business Analysis
- Accounts Receivable

- Sage