

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

The Reith Company, Pasadena, California  
Founding principal, 2000 to present

Sony Corporation of America, Culver City, California  
Vice President and General Auditor, 1994 - 2000

Sony Pictures Entertainment, Culver City, California  
Vice President, Internal Audit, 1989 - 1994

Columbia Pictures Entertainment, Burbank, California  
Director, Internal Audit, 1988 - 1989

DeLaurentiis Film Partners, LLP, Beverly Hills, California  
Chief Financial Officer, 1987 - 1988

Coopers & Lybrand, Los Angeles, California  
Senior Manager, 1979 - 1987

LAACO, Incorporated, Los Angeles, California  
Corporate Controller, 1975 - 1979

### **EDUCATION**

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California  
B.S., Business Administration, 1971

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California  
M.B.A., 1977

**PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS**

Certified Public Accountant, State of California 1981  
Certified Valuation Analyst, 2004  
Certified Management Accountant, 1977

**PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS Continued**

Certified Internal Auditor, 1994  
Certified Insolvency and Reorganization Advisor – passed  
examination awaiting qualifying hours

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants  
Association of Certified Fraud Examiners  
Association of Insolvency and Reorganization Advisors  
California Society of Certified Public Accountants  
Committee on Litigation Services – Business  
Valuation, Fraud, Family Law and Economic Damage  
sections  
Institute of Internal Auditors  
Institute of Management Accountants  
National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts

**INSTRUCTOR/LECTURER**

University of Southern California – business  
communications, internal control and fraud (numerous)

California State University at Los Angeles – forensic  
Accounting (numerous)

Fraud Section of the California Society of CPA's  
"Sarbanes-Oxley, Fraud and SAS 99" (2003)

Society of Certified Management Accountants – "Best  
Practices in Forensic Accounting" (2001)

IIR Conference (London, England) – "Effective Governance  
and Control" (1999)

Institute of Internal Auditors – internal control in the multi-  
national organization (1997)

## **TESTIMONY**

### **Trial**

Securities and Exchange Commission v. On Location Publishing (1982)

Detection and correction of false and misleading financial statements

State of California v. Criminal defendant "Georgette" (2001 and 2003) - \$500,000 defalcation from Sony Pictures Entertainment

State of California v. Criminal defendant "Susan" (2000) - \$500,000 defalcation from Columbia TriStar Television

Kohap, Ltd. v. Grand Bell, Inc. (2003) - Jury and Bench Trial, Expert witness in accounting matters

Family Law – Re: Lorenzini (2003)  
Expert witness in business valuation

Family Law – Re: Jason (2003)  
Expert witness in business valuation

Family Law – Re: Jones (2003)  
Expert witness in accounting matters

### **Deposition**

Family Law – Re: Maurer (2004)  
Expert witness in accounting matters

Kohap, Ltd. v. Grand Bell, Inc. (2003)  
Expert witness in accounting matters

Angeles Welding and Manufacturing, Inc. v. Hansen, et al (2002)  
Shareholder derivative suit, \$6 million inventory fraud discovered

**Mediation**

TRC Profit Sharing Trust v. Empire Brokerage (2005) -  
Witness in accounting and tracing matters

Zonne Industrial Tool v. Reitnour and Bayes (2003) -  
Expert witness in accounting matters

**RECENT ENGAGEMENTS**

- Expert witness for plaintiff, an electronics wholesaler, in arbitration regarding early termination of their contract with a key supplier. Developed and testified regarding our calculation of lost profits, claim for product overcharge by the supplier and calculation of lost profits on lost sales.
- Assisted counsel in the defense of two former Chief Financial Officers of an entertainment company being sued by a banking syndicate for signing borrowing base certificates that were allegedly prepared negligently. Our efforts brought out several deficiencies in the procedures of the banking syndicate that greatly contributed to the loan default that caused their losses.
- Assisted counsel by evaluating the claimed losses (range \$100 million to \$5 billion) for copyright infringement and whether the insured had prior knowledge of the infringement and not disclosed it in their policy application.
- Appointed as Referee by the Los Angeles Superior Court to determine what amount of funds and other assets should be distributed to each partner, and the valuation and allocation of personal property and accounts receivables to be distributed to each partner, in litigation regarding dissolution of a Limited Liability Partnership.
- Accounting consultant for defendant, a bank, in litigation regarding damages or benefits incurred by the buyer of a business segment of the bank. Assisted counsel to identify inconsistencies made by

plaintiff in disclosures regarding their business processes and procedures.

- Appointed as Referee by the Los Angeles Superior Court to determine what amount, if any, remains to be paid to Plaintiff in litigation regarding a commercial dispute about the shipment, delivery of, and payment for certain goods.
- Conducted contract compliance review on behalf of a national specialty grocer of their east coast distribution company. Issues were poor recording keeping and control procedures at the distribution company and lack of managerial oversight by regional management.
- Accounting consultant for defendant, an architectural firm, in construction litigation. Assisted counsel to identify flaws in plaintiff methodology and the build up of their delay claim calculation.
- Conducted due diligence for investors of numerous companies for possible equity or debt investments and modeled financial results.
- Forensic accountant in several family law matters representing both Petitioners and Respondents. Prepared analyses of cash flow available for support, analyses of payments made on behalf of the community, valuations of the community business and tracing of separate property assets.
- Forensic accountant for defendant in suit regarding partition of interests in real property. Prepared analysis of respective costs to build and maintain property for period of thirty years. Modeled outcomes of joint venture interests for presentation at trial.
- Business valuation of forty equity investments in privately held companies in an investment partnership, including a publicly held entity. The intended uses of the valuations were for financial statement valuation and litigation settlement purposes. Partners had sued for dissolution.

- Forensic accountant for plaintiff seeking remedies from seller for inflated valuation of the distribution company they purchased. Modeled inventory turns over a four year period and analyzed sales transactions for sources of volume reductions to reflect invalid warranties made by sellers.
- Accounting consultant for plaintiff, a Korean supplier of resins, in commercial litigation regarding international sales, payments, novation, accounting deficiencies and issues of alter ego. Worked with counsel to develop trial strategy to expose defendant's accounting deficiencies and develop issues related to alter ego.
- Business evaluation consultant to a publicly held provider of debt and equity financing to venture-backed companies across the United States. This was a \$2 billion portfolio of venture capital investments. Assisted portfolio management to evaluate status and quality of investments. Worked with management of companies on behalf of portfolio management to maximize investor value proposition including restructure, curtailment of operations or bankruptcy.
- Accounting consultant for defendant, a major international insurance underwriter, to investigate amounts claimed by insured to reproduce an event cancelled due to the events of September 11, 2001. Reviewed accounting records, contracts and production records to establish validity a \$4 million claim.