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ohn has nearly 40 years of experience in providing audit, accounting and consulting services to privately-held businesses in numerous industries, as well as not-for-profit organizations, including educational institutions, trade associations and community service groups.

His expertise includes significant transaction work in both the acquisition and divestiture arenas. John has assisted private equity groups and corporate entities with due diligence and structuring decisions. His experience in diligence and structuring has enabled him to guide efforts to achieve desired tax efficiencies that help reduce the cost of a transaction. In addition, he helps companies interpret the financial reporting requirements associated with M&A transactions.

John has served as an acting chief financial officer for companies during the closing of offices or operations and during periods of difficulty when the companies required expertise above that available in their own organizations. He has also assisted a number of companies through workouts and reorganizations, including formal proceedings under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and has helped clients to obtain financing and negotiate with lenders.

John graduated from Grove City College in 1979 with Honors in Accounting and joined an international accounting firm in Pittsburgh. He later enrolled in the Graduate School of Business at the University of Pittsburgh and obtained an MBA in Finance. He returned to public accounting, emphasizing service to privately held businesses and their owners as well as not-for-profit entities and employee benefit plans.

He is a member of both the American and Pennsylvania Institutes of Certified Public Accountants. John is involved in community and not-for-profit organizations, and he is periodically called upon to speak on various topics of interest to the local business community. John has also taught audit and business accounting courses on a regional and local level.

John and his wife, Becky, reside in Upper St. Clair. They have three adult children and two grandchildren.

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