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**S**hawn has more than 20 years of experience in public accounting. He focuses on providing tax compliance and planning services for various businesses, including corporations, LLCs and partnerships, as well as their owners. Additionally, Shawn has extensive experience in state and local income tax and sales and use tax matters.

He has experience providing tax planning and compliance services for a variety of industries, including manufacturing, alternative energy production and private equity. Shawn has performed special project work for clients in a variety of areas, including merger and acquisition analysis, multi-state tax planning, tax provision analysis, research and development, and cost segregation analysis.

A graduate of Pennsylvania State University, Shawn earned his B.S. degree in accounting in 1997, and is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society. Before joining Grossman Yanak & Ford LLP in 2000, Shawn worked at another regional public accounting firm. During his tenure with that firm, his responsibilities included tax compliance and research for individuals and their closely-held businesses. Additionally, Shawn performed compilation, review and audit services for various businesses and not-for-profit entities.

A CPA in Pennsylvania, Shawn is a member of the American and Pennsylvania Institutes of Certified Public Accountants. He also serves on the Board of Directors and was Past President of the Allegheny Tax Society.

Shawn is a graduate of Leadership Pittsburgh, Inc. (LPI), Class XXXII. LPI is dedicated to developing diverse leaders to serve the region. He is active in the community and regularly volunteers his time for various service projects and youth programs. He serves as an executive board member for the Cranberry Township Athletic Association as Vice President of Finance and is a member of the Sunrise Rotary Club of Cranberry Township, where he serves as Treasurer.

He resides in Cranberry Township with his wife, Meghan, and their son, Colton.