# CURRICULUM VITAE FINANCIAL EXPERT WITNESS



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#### PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Sullivan & Company, CPA, Inc.

Financial Expert Witness/Forensic Accountant

Integrate accounting & auditing knowledge with investigative skills gained from more than 30 years of practical business experience to resolve financial disputes, including breach of contract, years of practical business experience to resolve financial disputes, including: breach of contract, embezzlement, fraud, personal injury and shareholder disputes. Assist the court to resolve business disputes as a Court Appointed Referee

Manage and oversee tax and compliance consulting practice for wealthy individuals and privately owned businesses

Silicon Valley, CA
1992-present

The McLean Group, LLC, Managing Director, Partner of Valuation Services Group

Manage and oversee M&A, exit planning, wealth transfer strategies and valuation

engagements for middle market businesses and owners

Silicon Valley, CA

2007-2015

Ireland, San Filippo LLP, Tax Manager Silicon Valley, CA

1986-1992

2010

Peat Marwick Mitchell and Company, Staff Accountant; San Francisco, CA 1978-1982

Arthur Young and Company, Staff Accountant

San Francisco, CA

BDO Seidman, Senior Tax Manager; Grant Thornton, Staff Accountant; 1978-1982

Peat Marwick Mitchell and Company, Staff Accountant

Arthur Young and Company, Staff Accountant

#### PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Certified Public Accountant #39398

Certified Valuation Analyst #1337

Certified Business Appraiser #10539

Investment Advisor Representative (Series 7) CRD#3193451

Investment Advisor Representative (Series 79 grandfathered 3.10.2010)

Accredited in Business Valuation #3205

Chartered Merger & Acquisition Professional #0061

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Middle Market Investment Banking Association

**Education Advisory Board** 

Valuation Roundtable San Francisco, CA Member 2002-present Secretary/Treasurer 2007-present President 2013-2014

<u>Institute of Business Appraisers</u>

Member 2000-present

National Association of Estate Planner & Councils

Board Member (Peninsula Chapter) 2000-2002 Treasurer (Peninsula Chapter) 2002

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

Member 1997 San Francisco Chapter 2013

## National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts

Course Review Committee	2000-2001
Exam and Grading Committee	2000-2001
California Chapter President	1999-2005

## California Society of Certified Public Accountants

Board of Directors 1993-1997 and 2003-present

Litigation/Business Valuation Discussion Group Leader (Peninsula Chapter) 2005-2013

#### American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Member (Business Valuations Sector, Fraud Sector and Economic Damages Sector) 1983-1987

#### EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

Sullivan v. Kaiser (wrongful death)

People v. Husak (embezzlement Belmont PD)

Haverland v. Kasari (breach of contract)

Allen Yarborough v. FleetCars et. al. (breach of contract)

Steurer v. Cadeco (breach of contract)

Mitchell v. Michael (breach of contract)

Fornasero v. DANAMARK (breach of contract)

Kanerd v. Cavanaugh (breach of contract/fraud)

Grainger v. Stolec (personal injury)

Gadberry v. Kaiser (personal injury)

Sunkist Tire Center v. Irfan (wrongful death)

Dana Baynes v. Half Moon Bay Wood Stoves (embezzlement/fraud)

Rodrigues v. Spagnola (breach of contract)

Ruiz v. Ruiz (Business Valuation)

Smith v. Drapery Productions Inc. (Ct Appointed Referee – embezzlement/fraud)

Trotter v. Guy (personal injury)

Stearns v. RH Investments (breach of contract/fraud)

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"THE DANGERS OF CONSIDERING ONLY LOST PROFITS & NOT LOST BUSINESS VALUE: PRACTICAL TIPS RELATING TO SPECULATIVE PROJECTIONS & BVALTERNATIVES"

Presentation to California Society of CPAs – Business Valuation Section February 2016

"How to Attack & Defend Business Valuation Reports"

Business/Business Litigation Section

Peninsula Chapter Stare Bar of California April 2015

"Built in Capital Gains Valuation S Corp Conversion—California Perspective" Steering Committee California Society of CPA's July 2011

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

## The Witness Chair - August 2015 Issue

"Appraisal Arbitrage – "The New Normal for M&A Practice"

August 2015

## <u>Valuation Strategies</u>

Business."

"Built In Gains: S Corporations and the Sale of Appreciated Assets" Jointly written by Andy Smith & Brian Sullivan

Jan/Feb 2011

# M&A Market Update—The McLean Group Investment Banking Newsletter

"Understanding Financial & Non-Financial Relationships to Better Manage Your

"Negotiating Deal Price—Fitting the Pieces Together."

July 2008 February 2008

### KeyValueData Direct ™—Newsletter

"The AICPA Valuation Standards—Careful Reading Required..."

October 2007

"Growing a Valuation Practice: A Post Mortem Review Won't Kill You."

July 2007

#### The Practical Accountant

"Capture Valuation Engagements."

June 2000

#### PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

# NACVA Annual Conference

"The Bridge to Consulting Success"

San Francisco, CA

Conference Chair

2006

"Succession Planning Session"

Dallas, TX

Financial Statements & Tax Fraud Conference

Los Angeles/San Francisco

Tax Fraud Panelist

Moderator

2002

2000

# PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE

Litigation Support & Forensic Accounting

Valuation of Closely-Held Businesses Mergers & Acquisitions/Capital Formation Exit Planning & Compliance Taxation Planning & Compliance

# **COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

San Mateo Rotary

July 1995 - Present

Sunrise Rotary

July 1992 – June 1994

Samaritan House

St Gregory's Catholic Church – San Mateo 1986 – to present St. Ignatius Catholic Church – San Francisco 2012 – to present

#### **EDUCATION**

Golden Gate University San Francisco, CA

M.S., Taxation

University of California Santa Barbara, CA

B.A., Business Economics 1978

# **SAMPLE CHARTS & GRAPHS**



