



FIRM PROMOTES JEFFREY ZAYE AND LISA KUHN

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The partners of Whalen & Company, CPAs and Consultants have promoted two staff members. Jeffrey Zaye has been named an associate director, and Lisa Kuhn has been promoted from staff accountant to lead accountant.

Zaye formerly served as manager of the audit department, which he will continue to oversee. He has 15 years of experience in providing assurance services to health care, construction, real estate, manufacturing, higher education, employee-benefit plans and not-for-profit entities. He also has experience working with organizations subject to Government Accounting Standards and OBM Circular A-133.

In addition to assurance services, Zaye provides advice and guidance to clients in the areas of design and implementation of internal controls, development of budgets and interpretation of financial data.

Zaye has served on the payment-for-services committee of the Ohio Healthcare Association and is treasurer of the Future City Competition for the Ohio region.

The new associate director received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Franklin University. He is a Certified Public Accountant, licensed in Ohio, and is a member of the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Kuhn has nearly 30 years of accounting experience. Prior to joining the Whalen team in 2006, she worked for approximately nine years at a small CPA firm providing accounting and sales tax services to small business clients. She has a bachelor's degree in business administration and accounting from Wittenberg University.

Included among her responsibilities as a lead accountant are tax planning and preparation for individual and business clients and compilation preparation, analysis and review. She will also consult with clients on a regular basis regarding their business growth, development and needs.

Kuhn is an affiliate member of the Ohio Society of CPAs and is active in various activities involving school and community development in Worthington, where she and her family reside.

About Whalen & Company

Whalen & Company, CPAs and Consultants is a full-service CPA firm in Columbus (suburban Worthington), Ohio, providing tax advice for individuals and tax planning, accounting, audit, valuation and business consulting services for middle-market business clients. The firm's staff members have both technical skills and industry-specific knowledge that enable us to focus on the success of our clients. Our expertise includes restaurants and other hospitality businesses, manufacturing, education and other nonprofit organizations, retail and distribution, real estate, and nursing homes and other health-related businesses. The firm's partners are: Richard. D. Crabtree, CPA, PFS; Lisa G. Shuneson, CPA, PFS; and Laura Wojciechowski, CPA, EA, PFS.