CFO SELECTIONS

Thomas S. McDowell

Qualifications Summary

Dynamic, results-driven professional with over 20 years of experience managing all aspects of accounting, financial reporting, and mergers and acquisitions for both established and start-up companies. Skillfully analyzes sales and production activities and implements best practices to drive positive change. Adept at fostering long-term relationships with clients, banks, and equity partners. Dedicated to ensuring customer satisfaction. Expertise encompasses strategic planning, project management, contract negotiation, and expense control.

Professional History

Windswept Capital LLC	Executive Vice President & CFO	1996 - 2007
Olympic Capital Partners LLC	Director of Mergers and Acquisitions	1994 - 1996
Security Management Inc.	Director of Accounting	1993 - 1994
Orion Television Inc.	Assistant Controller	1987 - 1992
Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp.	Director of Financial Reporting	1984 - 1987
Arthur Young & Co.	Senior Accountant	1982 – 1984

Accomplishments

- Played a key role for over 12 years in building Windswept Capital LLC into becoming a leading middlemarket M&A firm in the Puget Sound. Completed transactions whose cumulative value totaled over $600M. Spearheaded the design and development of a proprietary database of national private equity acquirers. Established company policies and procedures for all phases of project management. Designed a company template for offering memorandums, which has been widely complimented by the private equity community as superb. Invited to speak at multiple training and continuing education seminars.
- Contributed to the start-up of Olympic Capital Partners and directed all aspects of operations, including project management and financial analysis for all client assignments. Developed a business valuation model and designed and implemented financial management controls, and a client financial analysis model. Guided the firm in obtaining securities licensing and complying with regulations.
- Designed a continuous process improvement program for Security Management Inc.'s accounting department while reducing headcount by 18% and boosting the customer satisfaction rating by 25%. Managed project accounting, including supervising 24 project accountants. Streamlined monthly reporting activities, which expedited customer reporting by three days.
- Achieved a 20% reduction in departmental overhead by implementing staff reassignments for Orion Television. Developed multi-year business plans, forecasted capital expenditures, and created divisional operating budgets. Hired and supervised 5 financial analysts and oversaw 15 freelance production accountants responsible for $100M+ in annual television production budgets. Managed payroll, project accounting, and internal/external financial reporting.
- Eliminated all substantive audit comments at Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp. Selected and implemented a departmental accounting system that facilitated a reduction in headcount.

Licenses / Education

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Accounting, University of Southern California
- Licensed Real Estate Broker, State of Washington