

KAREN CORKER

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EDUCATION

M.S.A. – Harding University, 1991

B.B.A. – Harding University, 1990

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- *Financial accountability
- *Process implementation
- *Analytical reasoning / analysis
- *Cross functional collaboration
- *Project Management

- *Complex problem solving
- *Budget development
- *Forecasting
- *Internal Controls
- *Product Supply System

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Harding University

2018 to Present

Assistant Professor

July 2019 to Present

- Prepare, evaluate and grade all course materials for identified class including syllabi, assignments, handouts, projects and tests
- Challenge and motivate students through a variety of teaching methods including lecture, discussion, case studies, and various interactive classroom activities
- Advise and mentor students in the College of Business Accounting Program
- Courses taught: Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting, Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting, CPA Review, Graduate Accounting Theory and Practice

Sr. Accounting Officer

2018 to July 2019

- Analyzed, reconciled, and maintained all fixed asset and accounting records
- Responsible for accounts payable, procurement and accounts receivable departments
- Collaborated with Physical Resources on all capital projects and property for the University
- Ensured all necessary tax documents for the University are prepared and filed in a timely manner
- Ensured accounting transactions are properly recorded

Coca Cola Refreshment

1996 to 2017

Finance Manager

2003 to 2017

- Advisor and financial support for General Manager and Product Supply Vice President for the Market Unit
- Responsible for overall financial management of Market Unit Financial Statements: approx. 38 million cases, \$379 million in Revenue, \$155 million in Gross Profit, \$85 million in operating expenses, \$70 million in Operating Income
- Collaborate cross functionally with numerous departments and multiple levels of the organization
- Lead and develop financial budgeting process for the Market Unit
- Facilitate internal controls adherence & execution of standard Company processes
- Develop & support cost savings initiatives within the Market Unit
- Analyze and prepare weekly / monthly forecast
- Manage a 30-person finance team, including organizing and implementing their professional development and job training
- Facilitate change management within the Market Unit during re-organizations
- Participate in various leadership and diversity courses, consolidations, and divestitures
- Manage special projects as assigned

Finance Specialist

1998 to 2003

- Provided analytical support to Division Management
- Managed special projects identified by Sr. Accounting Manager
- Assisted in acquisition of Southwest Coca-Cola
- Provided analytical support to West Texas Area
- Developed and defined roles for a Full-Service Analyst & Special Projects Analyst

Area Analyst

1996 to 1998

- Supported Fort Worth Area Leadership and Sales Center Teams
- Prepared and ensured achievement of yearly budgets
- Developed monthly financial statement reviews
- Assisted in Sales Center operational audits and month end inventories

Eyemark Entertainment

Finance and Human Resource Manager

1995 to 1996

- Developed & implemented all Company benefits
- Provided financial & analytical support for managing partners
- Processed all HR, payroll, accounts payable, and accounts receivable

Ernst and Young

Auditor

1991 to 1995

- Assisted in audits of client financial statements & processes / procedures
- Industries audited: manufacturing, healthcare, entertainment

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Co-Chair of Accounting, 2022 – present
HLC Committee, 2022 – present
Undergraduate Admissions Committee, 2022 – present
Book Reviewer, Cambridge Publishing, 2022 – present
AAA Presenter, 2022
Social Club Sponsor, 2010 – 2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

HU Communication Sciences & Disorders Advisory Board, 2017 – present
FIRST Robotics Mentor and Judge, 2015 – present
Harding Academy PFTA, Treasurer, 2019 – 2021
College Church of Christ, Finance Committee, 2019 – present
Legacy Park POA & COA, Treasurer, 2020 – present

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & TRAINING

American Accounting Association, 2022 – present
NACUBO, 2018 – 2019
Speak Easy
SAP