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Discussion Panel Speakers

Government, Nonprofit and Healthcare

Col. Jeffrey Powell

Col. Jeffrey Powell enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1983 and was commissioned in 1989. He is currently assigned as the 38th Commandant of the United States Army Financial Management School and Chief of the Finance Corps, Fort Jackson, SC. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business from the University of Maine, a Master’s of Business Administration from Syracuse University and a Master’s degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Dick Butcher

Mr. Butcher currently serves as Chief Financial Officer of the United Way Association of South Carolina and 2-1-1. He previously served for ten years as COO and CFO for the United Way of the Midlands. Butcher, a CMA, is a double graduate of the University of South Carolina (BS in Management and MBA). Prior to joining the non-profit industry he had a lengthy career in manufacturing and technology related industries having served as CFO of Anchor Continental, Inc., and Chief Accounting Officer for Affinity Technology Group. Butcher is a member of the Financial Issues Committee, which is the accounting policy and practice-making body for United Way Worldwide.

Ryan Miller

Ryan Miller (Elliott Davis Decosimo) has more than ten (10) years of experience in public accounting and extensive experience in providing auditing and consulting services, including federal grant compliance and internal control assessments for governmental entities, such as state agencies, counties and municipalities. Ryan also has extensive experience with performing various agreed-upon procedure engagements for his governmental clients. Although the governmental sector is Ryan’s primary focus, he also provides auditing and review services for manufacturing and distribution entities. His exposure to these various industries has allowed him to assist different types of entities with developing and/or improving their business processes and internal control structure. Ryan received his Bachelor’s degree in Accounting from the University of South Carolina.
Marissa A.B. Evans, CPA

Marissa Evans is the Director of Financial Reporting for Palmetto Health, a nonprofit healthcare system which includes five Joint Commission-accredited acute-care hospitals with 1,138 patient beds, as well as an expansive physician practice network, dozens of affiliated clinics and specialty care practices. Marissa oversees Palmetto Health’s external financial audit and related filings, performs accounting research, assists in tax-exempt bond issuances and supervises a team of accountants responsible for grants and reimbursements, fixed assets, debt and joint venture accounting. She currently serves on the Palmetto Health Credit Union Supervisory Committee. Marissa received her Bachelor of Science degrees in Accounting and Finance from the University of South Carolina.

Russell Coleman

A Partner in Cherry Bekaert’s Richmond practice, Russell Coleman concentrates on providing innovative and practical financial and advisory solutions for not-for-profit organizations, institutions of private secondary education, colleges and universities and government entities. With more than 30 years of experience, Russell is the Assurance Leader for the Education and Not-for-Profit Industry Group.

Russell joined Cherry Bekaert in 1986 and has served clients in a number of regional offices throughout his career. He serves as an instructor on accounting and auditing issues at the Firm’s annual training program. He has been a speaker for the Southern Association of College and University Business officers in annual meetings and fall and spring workshops since 2008. The topics covered in his presentations have included endowment accounting, reporting on internal control, FASB and GASB updates, including, most recently, the pending exposure draft on the new not-for-profit reporting model. Russell also helps develop the Firm’s internal procedures and practice aids for compliance with professional standards.