

ROBERT J. KOLLAR, CPA



Experience

Bob Kollar is a **CPA with over 27 years of business and public accounting experience**. Bob and his wife Kellie, also a CPA, own Kuhleman Kollar & Associates CPA's, P.C., an accounting and business consulting firm that works primarily with small businesses, mid-sized companies and non-profit organizations in a variety of industries. Bob's background includes 14 years of experience with the international professional services firm of Ernst & Young LLP. As a senior manager with Ernst & Young, Bob provided accounting, auditing and business advisory services to public and privately held companies in the financial services, communication, manufacturing and health care sectors, as well as not-for-profit organizations. Bob also worked for five years at the regional accounting firm of Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. where, as an audit senior manager, he served primarily middle-market, privately held companies in the manufacturing and service sectors. Bob has been a CPA since 1985.

As co-managing shareholder of Kuhleman Kollar and Associates CPA's, P.C., Bob provides part-time and contract CFO services to small and mid-size companies. He also works directly with the accounting personnel of client companies to improve their accounting systems in order to provide management with better information to run their business, and assists companies in their annual closing process and preparation of their annual reports and required SEC filings. He has also assisted companies in the selection of controllers and other management personnel.

During his public accounting career, Bob has been recognized for his teaching and mentoring skills, and has been requested on numerous occasions to instruct continuing professional education (CPE) programs for his employers and for member firms of the International Group of Accounting Firms (IGAF). Bob has also developed customized executive level training courses for a variety of privately held and publicly traded companies, including Alcoa, Bayer Corporation and H.J. Heinz. Additionally, Bob has developed specific training programs for non-profit organizations for **Duquesne University's Non-Profit Leadership Institute**. In the fall of 2003, Bob accepted an appointment on the faculty of Duquesne University's Palumbo-Donahue School of Business as an Assistant Professor of Accounting. In March of 2004, Bob was appointed Director of the **Master of Accountancy Program in Duquesne's John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business**.

Awards, Professional and Community Activities

Bob has been actively involved in his profession and in the local community. His activities include:

- Graduate—Leadership Pittsburgh, Class XIV (1997-1998).
- 1997 Southwestern Pennsylvania Accountant Advocate of the Year—U.S. Small Business Administration.
- President and Director, Duquesne University School of Business Administration Alumni Association, 1990 to present.
- Treasurer and Director, Center for Victims of Violence and Crime (CVVC), 2007 to present.
- Treasurer and Director, Pittsburgh Mediation Center, 2002 to 2006 (merged into CVVC).
- Director, Allegheny County Library Association, 2006 to 2008; Treasurer—2007 - 2008.
- Member, Accounting Advisory Board to the Duquesne University School of Business Administration; 1995 to present; Chairperson 2000 - 2002.
- Past President and Director, volunteer business advisor, PowerLink.
- Member, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants; Associate Member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.
- Teacher of the Year Award, 2004, Duquesne University and the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business.
- Co-recipient, Duquesne University Creative Teaching Award—2008.
- Director, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 2009.

Education

Bob received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Business Administration from Duquesne University.