



INDUSTRIES Manufacturing and Distribution Not-For-Profit

SERVICES

Litigation Support Services Audit Services

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners
- Illinois CPA Society Former member, Nonprofit Committee

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

- · Certified Fraud Examiner
- Certified Public Accountant

EDUCATION

· B.S., Accounting, Indiana University

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Ken has been with Ostrow Reisin Berk & Abrams, Ltd. since 1986 and became a director in 1999. Ken joined the firm right out of school and has spent his career working with privately-owned companies, their owners and not-for-profit organizations. In addition to accounting and auditing services, Ken provides tax planning, financial analysis and business consulting services.

Ken specializes in representing closely-held companies, including manufacturing, retail, landscaping, construction and health care organizations, as well as professional service firms and not-for-profit organizations.

PROACTIVE

Ken finds what differentiates him and the firm is being hands-on with each of his clients. Ken is often going to meet his clients on site, to interact with them and see firsthand what value he can bring in a face-to-face context. It is what he enjoys doing the most, as it represents the clear value he brings to his client relationships.

Ken focuses on helping his clients become more profitable across their business. He works with clients on identifying inefficient operations and developing proper systems and internal controls for their financial functions. Ken also brings the same focus to the unique needs of not-for-profit organizations, including helping them create more efficient operations.

As a Certified Fraud Examiner, Ken has also helped clients and legal practitioners with a variety of fraud-related cases ranging from recommending fraud prevention controls to investigating suspected fraud. His experience as an examiner also allows Ken to see where companies' internal controls and accounting processes might be leaving them more vulnerable to fraud.

OUTSIDE OF THE OFFICE

Ken and his family all share a passion for travel and Chicago Cubs baseball. They enjoy their periodic travel to Japan and other countries throughout Northeast and Southeast Asia, where they enjoy urban hiking and getting acclimated to local culture. During the spring and summer, Ken can often be found at Wrigley Field with family or friends enjoying his beloved Cubs.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Board Member, Kobe College Corporation Japan Education Exchange
- Former Board Member, Nonprofit Financial Center, Chicago

SEMINARS & EVENTS

• Not-For-Profit Board Training: What Board Members Need to Know, Chicago, IL, January 16, 2013

BLOGS

- Prevent the UBIT Trap of Corporate Sponsorships
- Five Steps to "Recession-Proof" Your Business
- Newsbits: Giving Study Yields Disappointing Results
- Four Signs of an Unreliable Budget
- Critical Questions to Ask About Internal Controls

NEWSLETTERS

- Manufacturing and Distribution Group Newsletter Fall 2021
- Manufacturing and Distribution Group Newsletter Spring 2021
- Manufacturing and Distribution Group Newsletter Winter 2021
- Manufacturing and Distribution Group Newsletter Summer 2020
- Manufacturing and Distribution Group Newsletter Spring 2020

