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Editor's Note

POWER 25 ACCOUNTANTS

Behind every successful business there's an excellent accountant.

The Long Island business community is blessed with a rich amalgam of accounting and advisory firms with stellar professionals who have positively influenced the fortunes of thousands of companies.

Here, we profile 25 of the region's most esteemed accountants. These distinguished professionals work for small, midsized, national and global accounting and advisory firms. They specialize in a wide range of disciplines, from tax and attest services to operational efficiency, growth planning and more. They serve small, middle-market and global businesses in all of the industries that matter to Long Island, from manufacturing, wholesale, distribution and retail to healthcare, real estate, professional services, hospitality and others.

The professionals featured here have decades of experience guiding their clients through the various cycles of their business, from startup through growth through succession planning. They have helped clients take advantage of growth opportunities or weather storms as the economy has ebbed and flowed, providing proactive, industry-specific advice based on wisdom stemming from a long history of working with all kinds of businesses. When the pandemic caused widespread economic pain and threatened the very survival of many companies, Long Island businesses appreciated the guidance of their trusted accountants more than ever.

In addition to positively impacting their clients' businesses, these distinguished professionals have helped to grow their own firms. While rising to the top of their profession, they have helped elevate others, providing mentorship and guidance to the next generation of accounting professionals.

Beyond their day jobs, these standout professionals have a long track record of contributing to the community. They volunteer their time and their expertise to serve as board and committee members for professional and charitable organizations throughout the region and beyond.

Please join LIBN in celebrating the top 25 accounting and advisory professionals.

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Navigating today's business takes outstanding leaders.

Changing currents in business require skilled talent able to chart a course for success.

That's why KPMG is proud to recognize **Maureen Evers-Willox** on being named one of **Long Island Business News' 2021 Top 25 Accountants**.

KPMG professionals like Maureen can help you address your pressing business issues to propel you to greater success.

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ALTSTADTER HEADS CANNABIS AND HEMP SERVICES GROUP

Audit Partner Eric Altstadter leads EisnerAmper's cannabis and hemp services group, which is part of the firm's manufacturing and distribution practice. A certified public accountant with more than 30 years of experience, Altstadter works with public companies and privately held businesses throughout the country.

Over the course of his career, the distinguished professional has helped numerous clients navigate the complex financial reporting and compliance issues associated with the filing of registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as with raising capital. Altstadter has significant experience working with businesses in the financial services, technology, life sciences, manufacturing, distribution and retail industries.

A respected leader in the Long Island professional community, Altstadter is active in many industry organizations. He is an officer and executive board member of both the Long Island Capital Alliance and the Middle Market Alliance of Long Island. He frequently speaks at accounting industry events and has been quoted by various publications in articles about accounting, auditing, cannabis and other business topics.

A University of Buffalo graduate, Altstadter is a member of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, which appointed him to its professional ethics committee, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

EisnerAmper is a large provider of audit, accounting, tax and advisory services, with more than 200 partners and principals and 2,000-plus employees. EisnerAmper's professional services include valuation, due diligence, internal audit, risk management, litigation consulting and forensic accounting. The firm's expertise also extends to technology, compliance, regulatory and operational consulting, among other professional services.

EisnerAmper's broad array of clients include more than 200 public companies, as well as privately owned companies and high-net-worth individuals. The firm focuses not only on helping clients meet the pressing issues they face in the present, but also helping to position them for success in the future.



ERIC ALTSTADTER, CPA
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BISCOTTI LEADS FOOD AND BEVERAGE GROUP

The national leader of Marcum's food and beverage services group, Louis J. Biscotti has been an entrepreneurial leader in accounting for more than four decades. Based in Melville, Biscotti focuses his efforts on improving his clients' growth and profitability. He has guided many companies in their development from small, emerging entities into organizations worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

While his clients represent a variety of industries, he is particularly well known for his work in manufacturing and distribution, especially with food and beverage companies. Biscotti's multidisciplinary background has earned him national recognition as an accounting and business management specialist. In addition to his designations as a certified public accountant and certified information technology professional, he holds a Master of Business Administration with advanced study in manufacturing, systems analysis, management consulting, strategic planning and technology.

Biscotti contributes a monthly column on the food and beverage industry to Forbes and has provided expert advice in various business and food industry publications. He is a featured panelist and speaker at local and national events, including the WCBS Annual Small Business Breakfasts and the Capital Roundtable series. Biscotti is also the founder of a series of best practice forums for food and beverage companies, which attract nearly 500 senior executives annually, as well as an annual food and beverage survey.

An active member of many local chambers of commerce, Biscotti also served as a trustee for the Foundation for Accounting Education and was a board member of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is a former president of the Accounting Circle and an executive advisory board member of Molloy College and St. John's University, his alma mater. He also serves on the advisory boards for many of his clients.

Marcum's food and beverage services group provides a wide range of accounting, tax and consulting services. Just as the group's service capabilities are diverse, so, too, are its types of food and beverage clients, which include distributors, manufacturers, importers, restaurant chains, processors, packagers, agricultural businesses and retailers.

Marcum is a national accounting and advisory services firm that focuses on helping entrepreneurial and middle-market companies and high-net-worth individuals achieve their goals. The firm was established in 1951.



LOUIS J. BISCOTTI, CPA, CITP
FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICES LEADER
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MELVILLE OFFICE MANAGING PARTNER,
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BARRAGATO RUNS PRIVATE CLIENT SERVICES IN THE NORTHEAST

In addition to serving as office managing partner of BDO's Melville tax practice, Charles A. Barragato is the firm's Northeast regional leader for private client services.

For more than three decades, Barragato has provided sophisticated tax planning and advisory services to corporations, family offices, executives and other high-net-worth individuals.

Barragato is a member of several professional organizations, including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is a past president of the latter's Suffolk chapter and has also served as chairman of the chapter's general taxation committee. The Suffolk chapter presented Barragato with its Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his outstanding service to the organization.

Barragato has contributed articles to a variety of industry publications, including The CPA Journal, The Tax Adviser and California CPA Magazine. He has also provided commentary on tax and accounting issues to The Journal of Taxation, Newsday, TheStreet.com and The Wall Street Journal.

Barragato is a member of the faculty at Stony Brook University's College of Business. Prior to joining Stony Brook, he served as director and taught graduate-level accounting and taxation courses at the Long Island University-C.W. Post School of Professional Accountancy. He has also lectured extensively before professional groups.

Accolades for Barragato include the Foundation for Accounting Education's Outstanding Discussion Leader Award and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants' coveted Dr. Emanuel Saxe Outstanding CPA in Education Award.

Barragato holds a Bachelor of Science in accounting and a Master of Science in taxation from Long Island University-C.W. Post. He earned his Ph.D. in business, with a concentration in accounting, from the CUNY Graduate Center-Baruch College.

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STRENGTH IN CERTAINTY

CESCHINI IS A RECOGNIZED INDUSTRY EXPERT

Michael Ceschini is the managing member of Ceschini CPAs, a certified public accounting and profitability consulting firm with offices in Miller Place and New York City.

The well-rounded professional's areas of specialization include accounting, profitability consulting, fiscal management, financial statement preparation and tax for businesses in a variety of industries, including construction, real estate, distribution, wholesale, retail and service industries. He also advises clients with respect to strategic business planning, tax minimization strategies, succession planning and mergers and acquisitions.

A recognized industry expert, Ceschini has frequently been called upon as a lecturer and business advisor for companies and industry trade organizations. He has also authored articles and has been sought for his expert opinions by various publications, including Long Island Business News, Construction Executive, Newsday, New York Construction Magazine and the New York Real Estate Journal.

Active in the professional community, Ceschini is a member of various trade organizations, where he gains a clear understanding of the problems and issues facing his clients.

A graduate of the State University of New York at New Paltz, Ceschini holds a Bachelor of Science in accounting. In addition to being a certified public accountant, he has earned the CCIFP (certified construction industry financial professional) designation, which is awarded by the Institute of Certified Construction Industry Financial Professionals, and the CM&AA (certified merger and acquisition advisor) designation, which is conferred by the Alliance of Merger & Acquisition Advisors.

His firm, Ceschini CPAs Tax & Advisory, is a progressive entrepreneurial firm of certified public accountants and business advisors serving companies in the construction, real estate, manufacturing, wholesale distribution, insurance, assisted living and professional service industries. The firm was established in 2002 and its professionals have up to 40 years of experience offering assurance, tax, advisory, accounting and merger and acquisition services. Ceschini CPAs continually requires its professionals to advance their certifications and stay abreast of clients' current challenges, needs and trends.



MICHAEL B. CESCHINI,
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MANAGING MEMBER
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COHEN HELPS CLIENTS REALIZE SIGNIFICANT TAX SAVINGS

Jeffrey G. Cohen is a partner and the tax services leader at Grassi, one of Long Island's largest accounting firms. With more than 25 years of experience, Cohen has become a leading tax expert in the New York metropolitan area, serving as a frequent speaker, author and contributor to regional business associations and publications.

Over the course of his career, Cohen has enabled his clients to realize significant tax savings through proper tax planning and consultation. He also advises clients about COVID-19 tax credits; reorganizations and entity analysis; sales tax issues; estate and gift tax planning; IRS, state and local, and international tax audits; international entity structure; and pension planning.

Cohen specializes in serving companies within the manufacturing and distribution sector, with an emphasis on the food and beverage and pharmaceutical industries. He has extensive experience assisting clients with research and development credits, cost segregation studies, domestic production exemption, defined benefit pension plans, IC-DISCs, New York State Qualified Empire Zones and the Excelsior Program, as well as tax credit utilization.

In addition to Cohen's role as the head of tax services, he sits on Grassi's executive committee. He also serves as treasurer of Long Island Elite, a nonprofit organization focused on cultivating the growth and leadership capabilities of local business professionals while raising funds for charities.

A graduate of the State University of New York at New Paltz, Cohen is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants Nassau Chapter.

Grassi provides advisory, tax and accounting services to businesses and individuals. The firm's advisors specialize in providing industry-specific business consulting, audit, tax and technology services to key market sectors, including construction, architecture and engineering, nonprofits, healthcare, manufacturing and distribution, financial services, real estate, cannabis and more. Headquartered in Jericho, the firm also has offices in Manhattan, Ronkonkoma and White Plains, N.Y., as well as Park Ridge, N.J., Needham, Mass. and Palm Beach, Fla. Grassi serves clients throughout the United States, as well as internationally through its membership in Moore Global Network Limited.



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PARTNER, TAX SERVICES LEADER
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DAVOLI BRINGS EXPERTISE TO DIVERSE CLIENT BASE

Jeffrey S. Davoli is a partner in the Hauppauge office of PKF O'Connor Davies. The certified public accountant has more than 30 years of experience serving a diverse client base, including companies in service industries, manufacturers, wholesale distributors and engineering firms, as well as governmental entities and school districts.

Davoli provides advisory services to individuals, corporations and business owners in financial projections, business and estate tax planning, litigation support and forensic accounting. In addition, he advises governmental clients and school districts on new standards adoption, compliance and preparation of financial statements in accordance with the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting program. Davoli has served on the Suffolk County Budget Reform Commission and the Middle Country School District Long-Term Planning Board. In addition, he is the treasurer of Habitat of Humanity for Suffolk County.

As a thought leader, Davoli is often asked to speak at industry events. He is a registered representative who has passed the FINRA Series 7 and NASAA 66 exams. He also holds a New York State life and health insurance license.

Outside the office, Davoli is a third-degree black belt in the martial arts disciplines of karate and judo, and he has served as an instructor to many students.

In addition to membership in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, Davoli sits on the advisory board of the Government Finance Officers Association. His other professional affiliations include the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and the New York State School Business Officials. He holds a Bachelor of Science in accounting from Long Island University-C.W. Post.

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MAUREEN EVERS-
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EVERS-WILLOX LEADS LI OFFICE OF BIG-FOUR ACCOUNTING FIRM

As managing partner of the Long Island office for Big Four accounting firm KPMG, Maureen Evers-Willox oversees more than 150 audit, tax and advisory professionals serving clients in a host of industries.

Evers-Willox began working at KPMG more than 28 years ago as a pre-professional while attending Manhattan College. Her path to managing partner has been somewhat unusual. After launching her professional career on the audit side in the New York City office, she served as a senior manager for two years in Germany on a high-profile U.S. GAAP conversion project. She returned to work in the New York financial services audit practice, assisting Securities and Exchange Commission audit clients in real estate, banking and asset management with SEC filings, Public Company Accounting Oversight Board audits and large global audit coordination. Then, in the dozen years prior to her promotion to office managing partner, she took on roles of increasing responsibility within the firm's independence group, where she was responsible for establishing firmwide policies on auditor independence, leading firmwide programs to support firm professionals in independence compliance, and responding to technical inquiries and regulators on independence matters.

Perhaps more unusually, for 14 years leading up to her office managing partner role, Evers-Willox rose through the ranks while working part-time. Following the birth of her first child, she continued to advance in the company while working either 60 percent or 80 percent of a standard week.

In her current role, Evers-Willox is responsible for the strategic direction, growth and culture for the Long Island office's audit, advisory and tax practices, and for overseeing delivery of high-quality client service. She represents the firm and the Long Island office in the business and philanthropic communities. She also leads strategic initiatives for the firm's risk and independence organization and serves as lead partner for one of the firm's largest life sciences clients.

Evers-Willox is a member of the boards of the KPMG Foundation, the Long Island Association and Molloy College, in addition to serving on the Tilles Center Council of Overseers. She has also participated in KPMG's Executive Leadership Institute for Women.

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FINE BRINGS BUSINESS ADVISORY, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE

In leading the Long Island office of Mazars USA, Craig Fine calls on more than 20 years of experience in the manufacturing and distribution industry, with concentrations in the food and beverage and pharmaceutical sectors.

Fine delivers business advisory and financial management services to owner-operated companies in the manufacturing, distribution and service industries. His broad expertise includes accounting, auditing, tax, internal control matters and mergers and acquisitions. Fine also advises clients regarding profitability and cash flow improvement, as well as tax minimization strategies and credits. He has audited employee benefit plans, including pensions and 401(k) plans.

Prior to joining Mazars in 2012, Fine was a partner at Biscotti, Toback & Company CPAs, where he led the accounting and auditing department, specializing in closely held middle-market businesses. As partner-in-charge of the firm's personnel and quality control, Fine provided leadership and training in all aspects of accounting, auditing and client service issues for managers and staff.

Fine is a graduate of the State University of New York at Albany, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in accounting. In addition to his status as a certified public accountant, he holds the chartered global management accountant designation.

Passionate about helping to develop the next generation of accountants, Fine has lectured at local colleges about careers in public accounting in addition to participating in the firm's campus recruiting activities.

He is a member of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and he participates in the latter's Employee Benefit Forum.

A full-service accounting, tax and consulting firm, Mazars USA is based in New York and has 11 offices around the country, including Long Island. The firm offers a broad array of industry specialists who provide services to growth-oriented enterprises and individuals. Originally M.R. Weiser & Co., the firm began a century ago – in 1921 – to serve the business and accounting needs of entrepreneurs. In 2001, the firm rebranded as Weiser and embarked on a period of expansion. In 2010, it joined the Mazars Group, a global organization of which it became the U.S. independent member firm, and subsequently changed its name to Mazars USA. The Mazars Group operates in more than 90 countries and territories around the world, providing clients with access to the expertise of more than 26,000 professionals.



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MARCY GREENFIELD, CPA
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GREENFIELD IS A TRUSTED RESOURCE FOR CLIENTS, PEERS

As an audit partner and co-leader of Berdon's manufacturing, distribution and retail practice, Marcy Greenfield applies 20-plus years of experience to advising some of the firm's most valued clients on complex matters.

One of Greenfield's greatest attributes is her ability to connect with people and build meaningful relationships, not only with clients, but with the greater Long Island business community. As a result, she has developed an impressive network of associates, expanding her personal market presence, as well as Berdon's, and establishing herself as a trusted resource among peers.

When 2020 brought havoc to the Island's businesses, many turned to Greenfield and her Berdon colleagues, who were crucial in assisting clients recover from lost revenue. Greenfield and her colleagues helped clients benefit from government programs while helping them prepare for a more secure future by leveraging transformative new technologies and business approaches.

Ever vigilant, Greenfield reviews operations and internal controls to identify areas of exposure and develop ways to strengthen operations and increase efficiency. She also identifies tax savings opportunities and ways to reduce exposure, alerting clients to current and pending credits and advising them on how to qualify.

Greenfield also provides mentoring and technical training for new staff and participates in on-campus recruiting. In counseling young professionals and potential recruits, she advises them that her goal is to maintain a work-life balance in which she is able to service her clients beyond their expectations while also enjoying time with her family and friends.

Recognizing her growing presence and effective representation of the firm, Berdon asked Greenfield to play a pivotal role in the now-finalized relocation of its Long Island offices to 100 Jericho Quadrangle in Jericho. She helped create an adaptive space to meet the evolving and increasingly complex needs of employees and clients with an added huddle room, providing professionals the ability to collaborate in a tech-friendly space, and modular workspaces, providing the opportunity for COVID-safe interaction as more employees return on a regular basis.

Greenfield has authored and co-authored many articles on accounting topics and serves as treasurer of the Middle Market Alliance of Long Island.

GROSSMAN ADVISES COMPANIES WITH GLOBAL OPERATIONS

Jill Grossman works in the Melville office of Grant Thornton as managing director of tax services. The certified public accountant has more than 30 years of public accounting experience spanning a wide variety of industries, with a significant emphasis on healthcare, manufacturing, distribution and professional services.

Serving private companies with global operations, Grossman provides tax consulting, tax compliance and ASC 740 tax provision services. She also has extensive experience in tax controversy, representing clients before the Internal Revenue Service.

Grossman is a sponsor of Grant Thornton's Veterans and Allies Business Resource Group and is a supporter of the firm's Women and Allies Business Resource Group. She serves as a mentor to young women professionals with a focus on recruitment, retention and advancement of women in public accounting. She also serves as the firm's lead recruiter at Hofstra University.

In addition to memberships in the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Grossman is a member of the American Heart Association's Long Island Go Red for Women Committee. She also gives back to her alma mater, Hofstra University, where she received her Master of Taxation and her Master of Business Administration. Grossman serves as an accounting advisory board member for Hofstra's business school. In addition to her Hofstra education, Grossman holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from the State University of New York at Albany.

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JILL GROSSMAN, CPA
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KIESS ADVISES PREMIER RESTAURATEURS, OTHER SECTORS

Marks Paneth Partner Kurt S. Kiess has more than 30 years of public accounting experience. He has a broad background in audit and tax, with a concentration in serving clients in the restaurant, real estate, retail, insurance and manufacturing industries. Kiess is also a member of Marks Paneth's executive committee, which sets policy and strategy for the firm.

As leader of the firm's restaurant group, Kiess advises many of the premier restaurant owners and operators in Long Island and New York City. He has served as a resource to Long Island restaurants as they have navigated the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and sought to protect and sustain their businesses, from the initial shutdown through reopening and today. He has advised his restaurant clients on Paycheck Protection Program loans and forgiveness; landlord and tenant relations amid the crisis; employee retention credits; and the new Restaurant Revitalization Fund. Kiess has published articles, presented webinars and served as a featured speaker on panels alongside leading restaurateurs to provide much-needed insights and guidance to the restaurant community.

Kiess is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. A lifelong Long Island resident, he is an active member of his local community. He serves as president of Adventures of Learning, a Manhasset-based nonprofit providing educational assistance to needy families. Kiess is also a major fundraiser for the Colorectal Cancer Alliance and hosts a public golf outing every year to benefit this charity.

Marks Paneth dates its origins to 1907. Today, the firm has a team of nearly 700 professionals providing a full range of audit, accounting, tax and consulting services, with specialties in business continuity, international tax, forensic accounting, litigation support, technology, family office and financial advisory services. The firm has offices in Woodbury, New York City and up and down the East Coast. The Woodbury office serves many of the state's largest industries, including manufacturing, wholesale, distribution, real estate, hospitality, restaurants, financial and professional services, and high-net-worth individuals.



KURT S. KIESS, CPA
PARTNER, RESTAURANT GROUP
LEADER
MARKS PANETH

KUBRICK BRINGS EXTENSIVE EXPERTISE TO CLIENTS, FIRM

As the partner-in-charge of the Long Island office of Marks Paneth, Andrew H. Kubrick oversees client service, business development and talent management for the Long Island region and spearheads the continued growth of the office, which is in Woodbury. Kubrick also serves on Marks Paneth's executive committee, setting policy and strategy for the firm.

Kubrick's extensive experience in all facets of accounting and tax issues has helped him establish himself as a leader in these areas. He is highly skilled in building client relationships, with a deep understanding of the competitive landscape and the needs of the client. He is a partner in the real estate group at Marks Paneth and serves a wide range of clients, including real estate entities, law firms, restaurants, liquor distributors, furniture companies and private foundations. Kubrick, who holds a Juris Doctor from New York Law School in addition to his Bachelor of Science in accounting from Ithaca College, counts serving lawyers and law firms as an area of specialty.

Kubrick is very active in the community. In 2013 he was named "Volunteer of the Year" by the Syosset Soccer Club. In 2019, the University at Buffalo School of Management honored him as a "Recruiting Partner of the Year" for demonstrating strong collaboration in supporting the school's students through such events as Network NY Week, Meet the Professionals Career Fair, class speaking engagements, on-campus recruitment, employer-in-residence and the Beta Alpha Psi and UB Accounting Association clubs.

In 2020, he was named an "Executive Circle Honoree" by Long Island Business News for consistently demonstrating remarkable leadership skills, integrity, values, vision and commitment to excellence, company performance, community service and diversity.

Kubrick is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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A Long Island native with more than 30 years of experience in public accounting, Labita has multinational, national and regional firm experience. She concentrates on providing audit, tax and consulting services to nonprofit organizations, including health/human services organizations, foundations, educational institutions and membership and religious organizations. Her services have included single audits, cost reports, employee benefit plans, enterprise risk management, internal controls, resource optimization and rate consulting.

In addition to her dedication to working with nonprofits, Labita focuses on supporting women in business. She serves on Baker Tilly's firmwide Growth and Retention of Women (GROW) committee, which provides mentorship and other initiatives to remove barriers that prevent women from succeeding and advancing at the firm.

Labita is an active participant in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants; she has served as a conference vice chair for the latter's not-for-profit organizations committee. Labita has also served as a speaker and provided training seminars on various accounting topics.

Her passion for contributing to nonprofit and community organizations extends beyond her career. She serves as a board member for both the Long Island Association and the American Red Cross on Long Island. She is also a founder and past president of Girls Incorporated of Long Island and a former treasurer for North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center.

Labita graduated summa cum laude from Adelphi University with a Bachelor of Science in business administration.

Baker Tilly US, which has offices in major markets around the country, including Melville, provides a wide range of accounting, assurance, tax and advisory services. The firm is an independent member of Baker Tilly International, a worldwide network of independent accounting and business advisory firms in 148 territories, with 36,000 professionals and a combined worldwide revenue of \$4 billion.



ELLEN LABITA, CPA
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MAYER IS CO-LEAD FOR CFO ADVISORY PRACTICE

Robert O. Mayer, a Woodbury-based partner at Prager Metis, serves as co-practice leader of the firm's CFO advisory services.

In addition to more than 40 years of professional accounting experience, Mayer brings his entrepreneurial spirit and innovative growth strategies to assist his clients with a wide range of matters.

In 1973, Mayer began his accounting career in what was then a Big Eight accounting firm. He moved on to join a much smaller firm – in fact, he was just the second staff person – but he helped that firm grow to 40 employees in just five years. He spent five years as a staff member at Prager and Fenton and then went on to serve as chief financial officer for a Long Island company, which helped expand from one location to five and increase sales from \$12 million to \$60 million over five years.

Mayer eventually founded his own accounting firm, Mayer CPAs, where he served as managing partner. Mayer CPAs joined Prager Metis in 2016.

Mayer is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants and the National Conference of CPA Practitioners. He is also active in the local community. Mayer serves as an advisory board member for the Alzheimer's Association Long Island Chapter and co-chair of the corporate committee of the Nassau County Museum of Art. He sits on the advisory board of the Hofstra University Business School, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in accounting.

Prager Metis, which is a member of Prager Metis International Group, is a full-service accounting and advisory firm with more than 100 partners and principals, more than 600 team members and 23 offices. The firm was formed in January 2013 by the combination of Prager and Fenton and Metis Group, two accounting firms with complementary philosophies and cultures. Prager and Fenton began providing expert accounting and advisory services for entertainment and music industry clients, professional practice firms, real estate groups and high-net-worth individuals nearly a century ago. Founded in 1987, Metis Group was known for a team approach to providing a full range of accounting and tax services that included forensic accounting, litigation support and business and strategic planning.



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PARTNER, ASSURANCE AND ATTEST SERVICES LEADER
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MANNHAUPT HEADS ASSURANCE AND ATTEST SERVICES

Grassi Partner Stephen J. Mannhaupt leads the Jericho-based advisory and accounting firm's assurance and attest services. Mannhaupt specializes in accounting, auditing, forensic accounting and management consulting for clients in the construction, architecture, engineering, professional services, real estate and nonprofit industries.

The certified public accountant also provides expert guidance to clients in specialized areas such as internal control assessment, fraud prevention and investigation, Federal Acquisition Regulation auditing and corporate operational efficiency, in addition to traditional accounting, tax and audit support.

In addition to his role as assurance and attest practice leader, Mannhaupt has been instrumental in developing technologies to enhance the efficiency and accuracy of Grassi's audit procedures. He and his team use data analytics, artificial intelligence and robotic process automation to deliver a streamlined experience and provide clients with the information they need to make confident, data-driven decisions. Mannhaupt uses this expertise to help clients streamline their own internal processes and reduce the risk of error and redundancy through innovative and cost-effective technology solutions.

A sought-after speaker and author, Mannhaupt has written articles on a variety of accounting topics and has conducted educational seminars for clients, staff, accounting societies and other professionals in banking, surety and law. He has led consulting engagements involving fraud detection, operational reviews, internal control analysis and the quantification of lost profits.

A Queens College graduate, Mannhaupt is affiliated with several professional organizations, including the Society for Marketing Professional Services, American Institute of Architects, Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York, Subcontractors Trade Association, Construction Financial Management Association, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, where he is a past chairman of the construction committee. He is also a member of the energy committee of the New York Building Congress.

Founded in 1980, Grassi provides industry-specific business consulting, audit, tax and technology services to key market sectors, including construction, architecture, engineering, nonprofits, healthcare, manufacturing and distribution, financial services, real estate, cannabis and more. Headquartered in Jericho, the firm serves clients across the New York metro area and throughout the United States, as well as internationally through its membership in Moore Global Network Ltd.

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MAZZENGA MANAGES MARCUM’S MELVILLE OFFICE

Carolyn Mazzenga wears many hats at Marcum. As managing partner of the firm’s Melville office, she is responsible for overseeing the growth of the firm’s Long Island operations. She is also leader of Marcum’s national family wealth services group, assisting clients in wealth preservation and succession planning to meet their lifetime goals and philanthropic objectives. In addition, she assists hedge fund managers with personal and business income tax solutions.

Leveraging her distinction in the women’s business community, Mazzenga was instrumental in launching the Marcum Women’s Leadership Development Program, a cutting-edge initiative to help promote and nourish the careers of the firm’s female managers and partners. Currently, she serves on the firm’s national diversity and inclusion committee and co-chairs the annual Marcum Women’s Forum in New York City.

A recognized accounting industry leader, Mazzenga has authored numerous articles and speaks before professional organizations on tax, estate and succession planning topics. In 2016, she was featured in Inc. Magazine’s “Playbook” video series, advising young entrepreneurs about different aspects of achieving success.

Mazzenga also chairs the annual Marcum Workplace Challenge, which has raised more than \$1 million for local nonprofit organizations since 2006.

Prior to joining Marcum in 1991, Mazzenga operated her own practice. Earlier in her career, she spent 10 years with a Big Four accounting firm.

Mazzenga’s professional affiliations includes the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. She serves on the board of directors of the Long Island Association as well as the board of directors and finance committee for Long Island Cares-The Harry Chapin Food Bank. She sits on the Girl Scouts of Nassau County’s finance committee and is a past president of the board of directors of the Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women. Honors for Mazzenga include the 2018 Humanitarian Award from the Long Island Association and the 2017 Oneonta Alumni of Distinction Award from her alma mater, SUNY Oneonta.

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CAROLYN MAZZENGA,
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MEINBERG LEADS PRIVATE BUSINESS SERVICES PRACTICE

In addition to serving as partner-in-charge of EisnerAmper’s Long Island Office, Mark Meinberg also leads the office’s private business services practice.

As a business advisor, Meinberg has helped many of his clients grow their businesses while helping others reorganize and emerge stronger. He is a qualified expert witness in litigation and bankruptcy court proceedings and has expertise in real estate management, e-commerce, staffing agencies, and leisure and recreation firms.

Active in the professional community, Meinberg has represented the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants in a council position for the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is a former NYSSCPA vice president, executive committee member and board member and is a past president of NYSSCPA’s Nassau Chapter, where he also served as secretary, treasurer, vice president, president-elect and director. He is a current member of the board of governors of the Accountants Club of America. Meinberg formerly sat on the business advisory council for Sterling National Bank in New York City and is a past board member of the Institute of Management Accountants. He is the founder and past chair of the Regional Small-Size Managing Partners Forum and currently sits on the board of the Long Island Music Hall of Fame.

As a recognized expert in his field, Meinberg has met with Senate Finance Committee members in Washington, D.C., and is a frequent lecturer for various organizations. He has discussed tax, fraud and business turnaround topics on broadcast media and has been quoted in various newspapers and professional publications. UJA-Federation of New York honored Meinberg as a Long Island Business and Professional Leader.

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MCKELVEY SERVES AS TAX PARTNER-IN-CHARGE

A tax and business consulting partner at Friedman, David McKelvey serves as the tax partner-in-charge of the Long Island office. Over the past 25 years, he has worked with closely held consumer product companies, manufacturers and some of the largest real estate owners and contractors in the country, who seek his expertise in both business tax issues for companies and personal tax issues for owners.

McKelvey works with companies in a broad range of sectors, specializing in tax issues related to apparel, consumer products, real estate and construction industries. He applies his knowledge and insight to meet the needs of his clients as well as their banks and other credit grantors, including sureties and factors. McKelvey cuts to the essence of complex matters and devises effective solutions.

His expertise includes taxation of real estate owners/developers and construction contractors; designing and implementing effective succession plans and buy/sell plans; taxation and uses of employee stock ownership plans and insurance captives; tax basis job costing and look-back analysis; and buy/sell analyses for properties and developments. He also focuses on cost segregation studies, Section 1031 planning, corporate consolidation and business operating structure, capital gains maximization strategies, personal financial planning and other matters.

McKelvey, who holds the personal financial specialist designation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in addition to his CPA, has written and spoken on a wide range of topics for real estate and construction professionals, including income taxes, sales taxes, multistate planning, capital gain planning, insurance captives and tax planning. He has been a featured speaker at AICPA’s Annual Construction Conference.

McKelvey is active in many industry and nonprofit organizations. He is a member of the professional advisory committee for the Long Island Community Foundation and a member of the board of regents for Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. He co-chairs the American Heart Association’s Long Island Annual Golf Outing and sits on the board of the Real Estate Institute at Stony Brook University.

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MOONEY LEADS INTERNAL MERGERS TRANSITIONS

A partner at Prager Metis, Marianna Mooney wears many hats for the expanding accounting and advisory firm, including serving as its team leader for transitions of internal mergers. Mooney also trains and develops new team members in addition to providing a wide range of services to clients, for which she applies more than two decades of professional accounting experience.

Based in Prager Metis' Woodbury office, Mooney is very proactive in handling all aspects of her clients' needs. In addition to providing specialized advice in tax planning, she consults with her clients on business management, financial statements, and business and personal tax returns. She works closely with her clients in several industries, including hospitality, healthcare and professional services. Her accounting expertise in areas such as medical and professional practices has enabled her to engineer many financial success stories for her clients.

Mooney, who has been with Prager Metis since its 2016 combination with Mayer CPAs, is a former recipient of Long Island Business News' "Top 50 Women" in business award.

A graduate of St. John's University, where she received a Bachelor of Arts in accounting, Mooney is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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MARIANNA MOONEY, CPA
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NOBLE HEADS ANCHIN'S SERVICES GROUPS

Chris Noble is an accounting and advisory partner at Anchin. The certified public accountant, who has more than 20 years of experience, leads the firm's services groups, which include teams serving clients in the technology, public relations and law industries. Noble and his team of 55 professionals provide accounting, business and tax planning services to privately held business and investors.

In addition to advising on traditional financial statements and tax services, Noble is a strategic partner to his clients, providing value-added services including transaction advisory and due diligence, international accounting and tax strategies, tax credits and incentives (including the research and development tax credit), and consulting on ultimate exit and succession planning strategies. He is an advisory board member of multiple technology organizations, frequently speaking and hosting industry events, and has been featured in various publications.

As an expert in his field, Noble is always open to new approaches and diverse ideas to better service clients. He is hardworking, forward-thinking and, above all, a respected mentor to staff at all levels. He is committed to growing the firm's Long Island presence in addition to working alongside Long Island's charitable organizations to serve the local community. Noble has volunteered his time to benefit several organizations, including participating in Thanksgiving food and holiday gift drives for the Mary Brennan Inn and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Long Island. He is an integral member of Anchin's CARE Committee, which organizes and conducts the firm's charitable and recreational events.

Noble graduated from Baruch College summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Based in New York City, Anchin is a full-service accounting and advisory firm of approximately 400 people, including 56 partners and highly specialized industry and service teams. The firm provides privately held businesses, funds and high-net-worth individuals and families with a wide range of assurance, tax and advisory services. In 2021, Anchin opened an office in Uniondale to better serve its growing client base in Long Island.



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PINSKY PLOTS PATHS FOR CRITICAL TRANSITIONS

Steven Pinsky has 30 years of consulting and direct management experience guiding companies in both the private and public sectors through critical transition periods. He works with clients in a variety of industries on everything from strategic planning to process improvements to mergers and acquisitions due diligence and integration. Pinsky specializes in working with middle-market companies, particularly those that are fast-growing or looking to improve performance, whether with their ongoing operations or preceding a potential exit.

Pinsky advises companies seeking to seize and capitalize on high-growth situations, whether organic or through acquisitions. He has provided interim management (including chief financial officer and chief operating officer functions), financial planning and analysis, and consulting services to numerous companies. He also provides guidance regarding strategic restructuring and enhancement of business operations by implementing efficient reporting and management structures. Pinsky provides financial and operational due diligence during mergers and acquisitions in both a buy- and sell-side capacity, as well as advising on interim management strategies.

In 2020, Pinsky took on a leadership role in the development and delivery of UHY's crisis management services, a service line established to guide companies through the sudden economic downturn. He leveraged his experience aiding companies in turnaround and financially distressed situations to create strategies that addressed interim needs and identified profitable and critical operations to ensure the businesses' continued survival. During the past year, Pinsky was one of UHY's top subject matter experts on Paycheck Protection Program loans, helping hundreds of UHY clients secure financing.

Pinsky has often served as a moderator or speaker for financial, due diligence and private equity events. He was founder, co-host and featured speaker of the Due Diligence Symposium. He was a featured faculty member during numerous Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Private Equity Conferences.

Pinsky holds a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he serves on the external advisory board for the School of Mechanical Engineering, and a Master of Business Administration from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

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STEVEN PINSKY
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MICHAEL SABATINI, CPA
MANAGING PARTNER, LONG ISLAND
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Michael Sabatini leads the Long Island office of Citrin Cooperman. A lifelong Long Island resident and a leader in the business community, Sabatini works hard to contribute to his firm's success, mentor a growing team and give back to the community while helping his clients run successful businesses.

In his role of managing partner, Sabatini drives the growth and success of the firm's Long Island office, which is in Melville, while creating a positive and inclusive workplace for the Long Island team. Part of his job is to help team members reach their full potential, which he accomplishes by creating opportunities for career advancement, ensuring the proper continuing education and on-the-job training is available, and advising his team individually on how to achieve their personal and professional goals.

As a business leader in the community, Sabatini also finds time to ensure that the firm is participating in and giving back to the local community. Under Sabatini's leadership, Citrin Cooperman's Long Island team supports and sponsors numerous local business associations and charitable organizations, and each year the firm closes the office to spend a day volunteering together, a popular tradition for strengthening team bonds and giving back to the community. Pre-pandemic, the office also hosted mixers for the business community and plans to resume those events in the future.

In addition to his leadership roles, Sabatini has more than 20 years of experience performing and managing audits for companies with a variety of ownership structures, including both larger and smaller publicly held companies, middle-market privately held businesses, private family-owned businesses and private equity-backed companies. He understands the unique accounting, auditing and business aspects associated with each structure. He has extensive experience with acquisitions, divestitures, capital-raising activities, debt and other restructuring activities, as well as other complex financial reporting issues.

Citrin Cooperman, which ranks among the top 25 accounting and business advisory firms in the United States in terms of size, has steadily built its business since 1979. The firm provides a comprehensive, integrated business approach to traditional services, which includes proactive insights throughout the lifecycle of clients wherever they do business across the globe. Citrin Cooperman is an independent firm associated with Moore Global Network Ltd.

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Sengulen has two decades of experience in accounting, much of which have been spent helping clients meet compliance requirements, enhancing their internal controls and advising them on mergers and acquisitions, both before and after deal completion.

Sengulen's wide range of experience in capital markets includes initial public offerings, reverse mergers, SPAC transactions and various secondary offerings. He works with his clients on both buy- and sell-side engagements for a full spectrum of transactions, including acquisitions, divestitures, carveouts and financing transactions.

Sengulen is a leader in UHY's national capital markets practice as well as one of the leaders of the transaction advisory practice group. He also serves as managing partner of the firm's Long Island Office.

Despite being one of UHY's youngest partners, Sengulen is a top performer firmwide and the highest revenue generator for the firm nationwide for the past two years. Recently named an "Emerging Leader" by The M&A Advisor, Sengulen has been responsible for managing more than 70 clients across a range of industries and completing more than 120 transactions since taking the helm of the Long Island office.

Sengulen is on the board of Easter Seals NY on Long Island, an organization dedicated to providing a variety of services to veterans and people living with disabilities. As a board member, he helps organize an annual golf event to fund the organization's activities. All proceeds, which exceeded \$300,000 in 2019, go directly into Long Island projects. A recent project included the opening of a Red Mango frozen yogurt store entirely staffed by veterans. Sengulen is also a catechist at St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church along with his wife, Vanessa.

What sets Sengulen apart is his support and mentorship of his team. He takes pride in seeing team members grow professionally and he actively creates a safe and nurturing environment for them to become leaders.

A certified public accountant, Sengulen received both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Business Administration from St. John's University.

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MEHMET SENGULEN, CPA
LONG ISLAND OFFICE MANAGING
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TAM ON TRACK TO HEAD AUDIT DEPARTMENT

Having been with DDK since the beginning of her career, Sze Man Tam has grown with the firm, taking on increasing responsibility over the last 17 years. After beginning as a junior accountant in 2004, Tam was promoted to assurance manager and later partner, and is currently on track to lead DDK's audit department.

Tam applies her advanced technical knowledge to assisting clients in a variety of industries, including nonprofits, real estate, manufacturing, distribution, wholesale, art galleries, jewelry and employee benefits plans. She particularly enjoys helping her clients grow and improve their business.

Tam, who graduated from Baruch College with a degree in accounting, is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants; for the latter, she is a member of the not-for-profit organizations committee. Tam is also a member of DDK's information technology committee.

In her free time, Tam enjoys spending time with her daughter, and she looks forward to any opportunity to travel. She is an avid sports fan and enjoys following local sport teams, especially the New York Knicks and the New York Mets.

DDK & Company strives to offer a thoughtful balance of experience and innovation. The firm has multiple offices in the tri-state area and serves clients both locally and nationwide. The firm's partners provide a range of business consulting services, while DDK's extensive tax and accounting departments manage those aspects of client portfolios. As the firm grows, it continues to position itself as a multiservice provider for businesses of all sizes, with a friendly, accessible approach and a focus on nurturing personal client relationships. With its medium size and diversity of services, DDK is able to continue serving the increasingly sophisticated needs of clients as they expand their business into new industries or regions.



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Catherine Verrelli, who serves as managing partner of the Jericho office of Ernst & Young, is also a tax partner in the firm's global compliance and reporting practice.

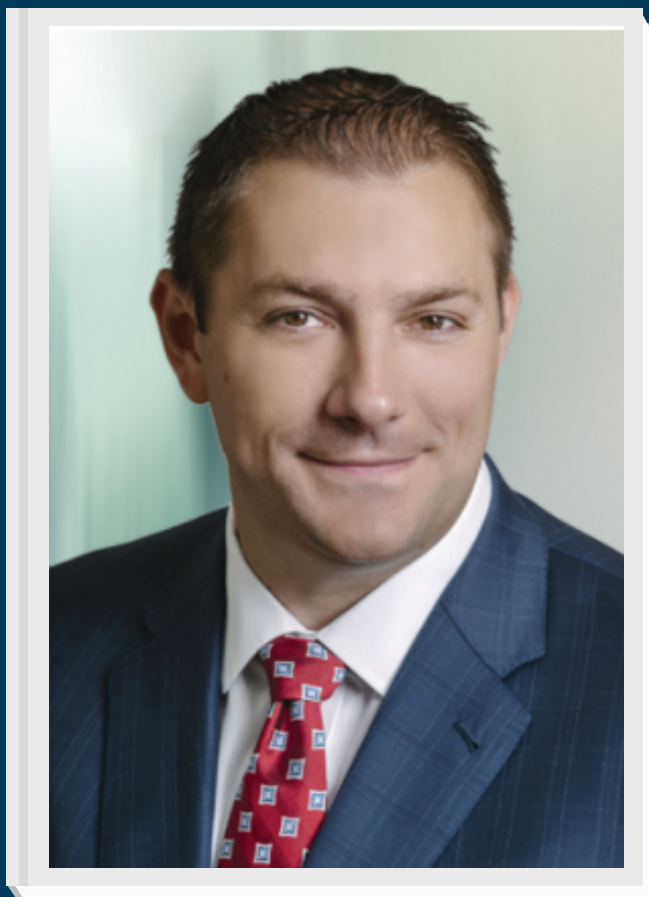
The certified public accountant joined the Big Four accounting firm nearly 20 years ago and has been based in the Long Island office ever since. She primarily serves multinational clients in the construction, manufacturing, consumer products and technology industries, coordinating all aspects of tax services for her clients. Her experiences at EY include extensive accounting for income taxes and FIN 48 advisory. Additionally, Verrelli has wide-ranging experience with U.S. corporate tax compliance and reporting.

Outside of EY, Verrelli is active in the local business community. She serves on the board of trustees and the President's Dinner committee at her alma mater, St. John's University. She also sits on the board of the Long Island Association, helping to support economic development and infrastructure investments on Long Island. Additionally, Verrelli is active in the Financial Women's Association, which is dedicated to enhancing the role of women in finance and investing in the community. She is a member of the association's Long Island committee, for which she previously served as a co-chair.

A member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, Verrelli holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science, both in accounting, from St. John's University, as well as a Master of Science in taxation from C.W. Post University.

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