

BIOGRAPHY

DAVID K. GOLBAHAR, CPA/CFF, CGMA

Forensic Accountant

Golbahar Consulting Group

David K. Golbahar is the Managing Director and Founder of Golbahar Consulting. He has led numerous forensic investigations and serves as a trusted adviser for his clients. His prior work experience includes restructuring at Brandlin and Associates, litigation support services at Navigant Consulting, Inc. and auditing public companies at KPMG. He has over twelve years of experience consulting to C-Level executives, middle market companies, high-net-worth individuals, and outside counsel on forensic accounting, tax, economic damages, and restructuring issues.

As a Certified Public Accountant and a Chartered Global Management Accountant, Mr. Golbahar has prepared and reviewed claims for increased costs, lost profits/income, personal injury, intellectual property infringement as well as claims for economic damages in connection with disputes in a wide selection of industries. He has also assisted companies and individuals in a variety of investigations relating to fraud and employee embezzlement.

In addition to determining damages and investigating disputes, Mr. Golbahar has been involved with other commercial litigation matters. He served as a court-appointed Monitor in a large restaurant partnership dispute in the Superior Court of California. He has also served as a Forensic Expert or consultant in various valuation and bankruptcy cases. These engagements involved companies in the entertainment industry, large financial institutions, a semiconductor manufacturer, a consumer electronics company, and other middle market businesses.

As a trusted adviser, Mr. Golbahar has led companies through expansions and contractions. His operational experience includes acting as Interim CFO, expanding revenue channels, raising capital (debt and equity), identifying cost efficiency improvements, and reducing enterprise risk. In addition, he managed cash flows for a \$500 million company in default on a \$100 million line of credit. Mr. Golbahar has been involved with start-ups from the stages of concept through market introduction across multiple industries.

Mr. Golbahar graduated from the University of Michigan in 2006 and earned a Masters of Accounting from the University of Virginia, McIntire School of Commerce in 2007. He is an active member of the California Society of CPAs, American Institute of CPA and the Turnaround Management Association. Mr. Golbahar served CalCPA as past Council Member-at-Large. He is currently a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the State of California. He also holds additional certifications: Certified in Financial Forensics (administered by AICPA) and Chartered Global Management Accountant (administered by AICPA and CIMA). In 2018, Mr. Golbahar received AICPA's FVS Standing Ovation award for significant contributions in forensic accounting and in the community.

Mr. Golbahar volunteers and serves the community in numerous capacities. He is an instructor for the CalCPA Foundation



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Education and is a Part-Time Lecturer at Loyola Marymount University. He is President Emeritus of the University of Michigan Alumni Club in Los Angeles, he serves as a Board Member of the Graduate Advisory Board of the University of Virginia McIntire School of Commerce, and he is an active Board Member for the Westside Bar Association. Mr. Golbahar also serves as Fee Dispute Arbitrator with the Beverly Hills Bar Association, Los Angeles County Bar Association, and Santa Monica Bar Association. He also oversees a \$1 mm budget for the Campus Life Committee at The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles.

Publications

“Forensic Accountants: CPAs As Investigators and Expert Witnesses”
Attorney At Law Magazine, Vol 4., No. 3
August 2018

Courses Taught

“Financial and Managerial Accounting”
Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA
Fall 2019

Presentations and Lectures

“Fraud Risks”
Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA
February 2019

“Accounting for Cryptocurrency Mining Companies”
California Society of CPAs Education Foundation, Glendale, CA, CPE Approved
August 2018, November 2018

“A Career in Forensic Accounting”
Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA
November 2018

Awards

AICPA FVS Standing Ovation
November 2018

City of Beverly Hills Burton E. Green Public Policy and Leadership Award
May 2002

Kiwanis Cali-Nev-Ha Foundation Hope of America Award
June 2002

Associations

California Society of CPAs (CalCPA)
American Institute of CPAs (AICPA)
Turnaround Management Association (TMA)

Volunteering and Leadership

CalCPA Leadership Institute, 2013 - 2014
CalCPA Council, CalCPA, 2013 - 2015
CalCPA Emerging Leaders Certificate Program – Speaker, 2014
CalCPA Members Insurance & Benefits State Committee, 2014 - 2017
Government Relations State Committee, 2015 – 2016
Campus Life Committee, The Jewish Federation, 2017 – Current

Education

University of Michigan,
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

University of Virginia,
Master of Science, Accounting

Certifications

Certified Public Accountant,
licensed in California

Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA)

Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF)

Professional Associations

California Society of Certified Public Accountants,

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Forensic and Valuation Section Member of AICPA

Turnaround Management Association

Practice Areas

Forensic Accounting
Partnership and Corporate Disputes
Fraud and Embezzlement Investigations
Restructuring
Tax Advisory