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Professionals on the Move is a round-up of recent hiring and promotion announcements from around the profession.

Kavanagh joins CohnReznick as Assurance Partner

CohnReznick LLP, one of the leading advisory, assurance, and tax firms in the United States, recently announced that [Charles \(Chuck\) Kavanagh](#), CPA has joined the firm as an assurance partner. Based in the Northeast, Kavanagh has more than two decades of experience providing attestation services, primarily across the consumer

and industrial manufacturing industries including aerospace and defense, power

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BWK responds to increased demand, grows staff by 20% in 2023

Minneapolis CPA firm Barton, Walter & Krier, P.C. (BWK) recently expanded its staff by 20%. The boost follows the hire of public accounting veteran Jay Trumbower as CEO in late 2022. The firm's growth is also consistent with a nationwide trend for deep niche expertise at a personalized level. Drawing from Trumbower's leadership experience, BWK specializes in serving small and middle market businesses throughout the Twin Cities metro and greater Midwest region.

BWK's new hires include:

- [Andy Lindberg](#) as Senior Tax
- [Ciara Vanston](#) as Staff Accountant
- [Diana Pilipchuk](#) as Staff Accountant
- [Jace Westman, CPA](#) as Staff Accountant
- [Lani Hattling, CPA](#) as Senior Tax
- [Matt Johnson, CPA](#) as Senior Tax
- [Stacy Behlivan](#) as Bookkeeper

BWK will look to bolster the tax, attest, bookkeeping, human resources consulting, and transaction advisory services departments in 2024 and is currently [accepting applications](#).

Whisman Giordano & Associates, LLC Names New Managing Director

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chapter of the ACE Mentor Program in 2010. Since 2001, she has served as Treasurer to the Delaware chapter of the Construction Financial Management Association. She has received awards from both the ACE Mentor Program and Delaware Today Magazine and is a current board member of the Better Business Bureau Serving Delaware.

LGA, LLP Welcomes Jeffrey S. Levine, CPA, MST as Director of Financial Strategies

LGA, LLP, a leading CPA and business advisory firm in New England, recently announced the latest addition to its team, Jeffrey S. Levine, CPA, MST, as the Director of Financial Strategies. Jeff will work alongside the professional team at LGA to provide a more holistic service offering to their individual tax planning and compliance clients.

Jeff's experience includes close to 43 years as co-founder and shareholder of a local accounting firm west of Boston, where he managed a client base of over 700 individuals, partnerships, fiduciary tax filings, and personal financial planning for his individual clients.

Jeff joining LGA is a significant step in LGA's ongoing effort to diversify its expertise and enhance the comprehensive services offered to its clients. For more information about LGA, LLP and its services, please visit www.lga.cpa.

Bennett Thrasher Announces Partnership Promotions for Tim Brunelle and Chris Roane

Bennett Thrasher, one of the nation's largest and fastest-growing certified public accounting and consulting firms, announced the promotions of Tim Brunelle and Chris Roane to partnership. Brunelle and Roane provide consulting and advisory services in the firm's Tax and Dispute Resolution & Forensics practices.

Tim Brunelle's journey to partnership at Bennett Thrasher is a testament to his

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Chris Roane's ascent to partnership at Bennett Thrasher reflects his comprehensive expertise and dedication within the Dispute Resolution and Forensics practice. Joining the firm in 2014, after a five-year tenure with KPMG, Chris has played a pivotal role in assisting clients with various services, including litigation support, corporate investigations, economic damage analyses, regulatory compliance reviews, and other forensic engagements.

Chris earned an accounting degree from the University of Georgia and a master's degree in accountancy from Georgia State University. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in Georgia and holds additional certifications in fraud examination (CFE) and health care compliance (CHC), reflecting his commitment to excellence in his field.

Staffing

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