

## Biography:

# CARLA SKLENKA - CPA

## SENIOR MANAGING DIRECTOR



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With over 20 years of experience in corporate financial analysis, Ms. Sklenka specializes in forensic investigations and analysis of financial and economic issues in business disputes or litigated matters. She has qualified as an expert witness in state and federal courts, providing testimony on accounting matters and financial damages. Ms. Sklenka has also served as the neutral arbitrator in several disputes involving complex financial and accounting issues.

She has provided financial and economic analysis and expert testimony in cases involving lost profits, contract disputes, insurance claims, patent infringement, and other business disputes. She assisted in fact finding, organization and analysis of data, analysis of financial issues, critique of opposing expert's testimony, preparation and presentation of damage conclusions for settlement negotiations or trial testimony, and preparation of opposing expert cross examination outlines. She has provided assistance in a variety of disputed insurance claims, including a contaminated meat product recall claim, a fire loss claim and a surety bond claim.

Ms. Sklenka has performed several confidential forensic investigations involving alleged embezzlement, fraudulent transfers, kickbacks, and other financial and accounting improprieties in various industries, including a \$1.5 billion consumer products retailer, a hotel chain, an entertainment company, a real estate holding company, a psychiatric hospital and a large law firm. She is skilled in tracing and recreating transaction detail, including inventory transactions, accounts receivable activity, expenses and expense accounts, and escrow funds.

Ms. Sklenka has performed numerous valuations of businesses and intangible assets in connection with the transfer of ownership interests, tax planning purposes, strategic planning, and litigation involving disputed business values. She has also assisted companies in raising debt and equity capital, and performed financial analysis regarding pricing and capital structuring for acquisitions and divestitures.

From 1994 to 2004, Ms. Sklenka served as a Senior Manager in the Dispute Resolution and Litigation Services group at Ernst & Young LLP. Prior to joining Ernst & Young, Ms. Sklenka was a Director in the Corporate Finance Group at KPMG Peat Marwick, where she provided corporate finance advisory and dispute resolution services. Ms. Sklenka also has over six years experience in the Audit Division of Arthur Andersen & Co.

Ms. Sklenka received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Missouri, in Columbia, Missouri, with a major in accounting and a general honors certificate. She is a Certified Public Accountant licensed in the State of Georgia.