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DIRECTOR

James Hart



Jim has been serving as a court-appointed financial neutral since 1995. He has been appointed as a Receiver, Special Master, or Auditor in State and Superior Courts in Georgia, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. District Court in Georgia, and other courts in North and South Carolina. In these capacities, he has managed companies, settled litigation, sold assets, settled debts, collected judgments, performed financial investigations, and tracked assets. Jim is a forensic accountant with an extensive background in forensic accounting and business valuation, with vast experience in matters involving: bankruptcy/insolvency, commercial damages and lost profits, fraud, financial investigations, due diligence, and collateral and asset tracing. Additionally, he has led engagements dealing with fraud, kick-back schemes, ponzi schemes, white collar crime, and bankruptcy that involved the FBI, U.S. Postal Inspectors Office, and U.S. Attorney's Office. Jim has also worked as a consulting or expert witness on engagements involving arson, asset impairment, business valuation, bankruptcy/insolvency, breaches of contract and fiduciary duty, business interruption, business damages, commercial damages, fraud, kick-backs, lost profits, lost wages and income, professional malpractice, qui tam, and various securities issues. His government agency involvement includes the FBI, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office, U.S. Postal Inspectors Office, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. District Court, and Georgia Bureau of Investigations. Jim has testified as an expert witness in State, State Superior, Circuit, U.S. District, and U.S. Bankruptcy courts, as well as private mediations. He has significant experience in crisis management and is the former Chair of the Georgia Society of CPAs Forensic and Valuation Services Section. Jim's corporate background included Peat Marwick (KPMG) and CFO and Controller positions in mortgage banking and insurance. **(B.B.A., Accounting, The College of William & Mary; M.B.A., Kennesaw State University)**