

HENRY A. FREIRE, CPA

Director



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Qualifications

Certified Public Accountant (licensed in the States of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut).

Member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants (NYSSCPA). Member of the NYSSCPA Litigation Support Committee and is PKF's Committee Liaison, having formerly served on the Practice Management Committee.

Member of the American Hotel & Lodging Association (AH&LA) and the New York City Chapter of the Hospitality Financial and Technology Professionals (HFTP). Mr. Freire served as a member of the Internal Audit Subcommittee of the AH&LA and served as a member of the Board of Directors of the HFTP. Member of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts.

Bachelor of Science in Accounting - St. John's University, Jamaica, New York.

Experience

Mr. Freire has been associated with PKF for over 25 years and was elected a director effective January 1, 1994.

His areas of expertise are accounting and auditing for hospitality, general commercial and real estate clients. He has also provided consulting services, such as assisting clients in establishing job descriptions and implementing internal controls, as well as assisted hotel clients with closing on the sales of their properties.

His clients include both publicly-traded and privately-held companies and range from manufacturers and distributors of computer equipment to hotels and real estate holding companies.

He was an Adjunct Professor at New York University, teaching *Managerial Accounting for the Hospitality Industry*. Also, he reviewed and technically edited the manuscript of ***Internal Control: A Fraud-Prevention Handbook for Hotel and Restaurant Managers***, published by the Cornell University School of Hotel Administration, and has served on the NYSSCPA Hotel, Restaurant and Club Accounting Committee.

He serves the firm as its Treasurer and is responsible for overseeing the financial matters of the corporation in addition to maintaining its relationship with its bank. He also serves as the firm's Director of Marketing and is a member of its Accounting & Auditing Committee.

Mr. Freire is fluent in Spanish.