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Summary of Experience

Debra specializes in the areas of forensic accounting, fraud examinations and risk management services. She uses these skills in investigations, due diligence assignments, and has also been called to be a testifying expert in trials and arbitrations.

Debra is a frequent national speaker on numerous topics and has been actively involved in the American Society of Certified Public Accountants, the national oversight organization of certified public accountants.

Service Specialization – Forensic Accounting

- Bankruptcy, Insolvency and Reorganization
- Financial Statement Misrepresentation/Reconstruction
- Fraud Prevention and Detection
- Computer Forensic Analysis

Testimony in the Past Five Years

- *Genmar Holdings, Inc.*: Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, January, 2010
- *Nancy Larpenteur, on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated v. Burnet Realty, Inc., d/b/a Coldwell Banker Burnet, and Burnet Title, Inc.*: Trial Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, January, 2010
- *Nancy Larpenteur, on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated v. Burnet Realty, Inc., d/b/a Coldwell Banker Burnet, and Burnet Title, Inc.*: Deposition Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, December, 2009
- *Arlan Wille v. SMA Elevator Construction, Inc., Stanley Brey, and Michael Brey*: Deposition Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, November, 2009
- *Thomas W. Lyons, Inc - Gulf Atlantic Hearing Aid Centers v. Sonus-USA, Inc.*: Deposition Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 2008
- *United Prairie Bank – Mountain Lake v. Haugen Nutrition & Equipment, LLC, Leland Haugen and Ilene Haugen*: Trial Testimony, Cottonwood, Minnesota, September 2008
- *Stoner v. Stoner*: Trial Testimony, Hastings, Minnesota, April 2008
- *Moore Automotive Group, Inc. v. Julie D. and Kevin M. Lewis*: Deposition Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 2007
- *S & C Bank v. Wisconsin Community Bank & Heartland Financial USA*: Trial Testimony, Hudson, Wisconsin, December 2005
- *S & C Bank v. Wisconsin Community Bank & Heartland Financial USA*: Deposition Testimony, Minneapolis, Minnesota, December 2005

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Publications in the Past Ten Years

- AICPA Practice Aid 10-1: Serving as an Expert Witness or Consultant
- AICPA Special Report 09-1: Introduction to Civil Litigation Services: Task Force Chair
- Accountant's Business Manual: AICPA: Contributing Author
- Effect Is Your Business Safe from Employee Fraud, 2002

Presentation/Seminars in the Past Ten Years

- Tri-County Financial Fraud Coalition; September 9, 2010; Topics included: Common Internal Financial Institution Fraud Schemes
- Minnesota State Bar Association Continuing Legal Education – Minnesota Probate & Trust Law Section; June 9, 2010; Topics included: What is Forensic Accounting?
- Illinois Community College Chief Financial Officers Conference: October 7, 2009; Topics included: Addressing Risks in the Current Economic Environment.
- Association of Colleges and University Auditors 2009 Annual Conference: September 17, 2009; Topics included: Today's Perfect Fraud Environment: Increasing Motivation, Opportunity and Rationalization.
- Minnesota State Bar Association Presentation: May 15, 2009: Accounting Implications of Patent Licensing.
- Hennepin County Bar Association: Presentation May 7, 2009: What is Forensic Accounting?
- Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association Long Term Care Committee: April 7, 2008: Sample of Minnesota Nursing Facility Data.
- Minneapolis Business Journal: March 22, 2007: Understanding Financial Statements, Risks, & Red Flags.
- Construction Financial Management Association: December 12, 2006: Panel Discussion on the Current State of Fraud in the Construction Industry.
- Federal Reserve Board Districts' Internal Auditors: August 9, 2006: Topics included Internal Fraud.
- International Association of Financial Crime Investigators: May 9, 2006: Topics included Money Laundering v. Hiding Assets.
- ADP Sponsored Seminar; Expense Reporting and Fraud: September 22, 2005 and November 15, 2005; Topics Included: What is Fraud?; Expense Reimbursement Schemes; Best Practices; and Automating Expense Reporting.
- AICPA National Advanced Accounting and Auditing Technical Symposium: July 21–22, 2005; Topic: Continued Implementation of SAS 99 (Fraud).
- Protecting Your Bank—Practical Ways to Assist in the Prevention and Detection of Fraud: Presentation May 19, 2005. Topics included: Fraud Definitions, Why People Commit Fraud; A Framework to Analyze Internal Controls; Developing Interviewing Skills; Fraud Case Review.

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- Non-Profit Financial Group: February 24, 2005: Topics included: Enterprise Risk Management, How it Applies to Not-For-Profit Organizations.
- Manufacturing and Distribution in Minnesota: Adapting, Surviving and Thriving: September 22, 2004; Topics included: Detecting Fraud and Securing Your Information Systems.
- Combating Fraud in Public and Private Companies: September 19, 2003; Topics included: Ethics Policies, Internal Controls and Reporting Policies; Audit Standards and Fraud; and Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 Documentation.
- How to Detect and Respond to Occupation Fraud and Abuse: May 22, 2003; Topics included: Occupational Fraud, Current State; Red Flags—Management and Industry Characteristics; Evaluating Antifraud Controls and Practices; and Response Action Plan.

Professional Affiliations and Credentials

- Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants
 - Board of Directors
 - Chair Strategic Advisory Committee
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Certified in Financial Forensics
- Certified Information Technology Professional
- Certified Fraud Examiner
- Qualified Neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice.
- Licensed Certified Public Accountant in:
 - Minnesota
 - Nevada
 - Pennsylvania
 - Michigan

Education

- Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Finance from the University of Nevada in 1981 and her Master of Science Degree in Accountancy in 1996.