Philippa Grunewald-Asante

Tax Manager, CPA, Corporate Income Tax and Provision

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LICENSES

Certified Public Accountant, Montana, 2018

Enrolled to practice before the IRS through CPA license

SUMMARY

CPA tax manager with 9 years across public accounting and an in-house corporate tax team. Owns federal and multistate compliance for 23 legal entities and the quarterly ASC 740 provision for a $780 million revenue manufacturer. Has closed 4 state audits with no material adjustments and found about $2.1 million in credits and planning savings over 3 years. Manages 2 tax analysts and works closely with outside advisors.

EXPERIENCE

Tax Manager — Prickly Pear Industrial Holdings

Helena, MT · May 2021 – Present

- Own federal, state and local income tax compliance for 23 entities, filing about 140 returns a year with no late filings.
- Prepare the quarterly ASC 740 provision and footnote, closing each quarter 2 days faster than the previous team.
- Claimed $1.3 million in federal and state R&D credits over 3 years after interviewing 11 engineering leads.
- Defended 4 state income tax audits, all closed with no material adjustments.
- Lead 2 tax analysts and review their workpapers, with both promoted within 2 years.

Tax Senior — Marchetti Lowell & Quist CPAs

Great Falls, MT · Sep 2016 – Apr 2021

- Prepared and reviewed about 70 corporate, partnership and trust returns each season.
- Built a state apportionment workbook that cut review time on multistate clients by about 30%.
- Supervised 3 staff accountants during busy season and wrote their year-end feedback.

SKILLS

Tax Compliance: Form 1120, 1065 and 1120-S, state income and franchise tax, estimated payments, extensions

Provision & Reporting: ASC 740, deferred taxes, uncertain tax positions, effective tax rate analysis, SOX controls

Planning & Controversy: R&D credits, entity structuring, nexus studies, state audit defense, IRS notices

Systems: OneSource Tax Provision, CCH Axcess, Thomson Reuters Checkpoint, Excel, NetSuite

EDUCATION

Master of Accountancy, Missouri River State University, 2016

B.S. Accounting, Missouri River State University, 2015

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