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J. Bradley Sargent is the Managing Member of The Sargent Consulting Group, LLC, a firm dedicated to Forensic Accounting and Financial Investigations. Prior to forming SCG, he served as the National Practice Leader of Forensic Services at a boutique consulting firm with offices in Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, New York and Washington, DC. Brad specializes in applying accounting, investigative, operational and technical procedures to identify facts in dispute. He has extensive experience in asset search and recovery, biographical investigations, business consulting, computer forensics and E-Discovery issues, corporate recovery services, damage calculations and analyses, employee dishonesty claims, financial and accounting investigations, financial due diligence, internal investigations, management internal control reviews and performance compliance reviews.

Typical projects entail providing advisory services (pre-litigation and litigation) to a diverse client base: audit committees, boards of directors, creditors, examiners, in-house counsel, outside general counsel, trial attorneys and trustees. Brad's expertise covers a wide variety of industries including automotive, banking, construction, distribution, education, employee benefits, energy, finance, food processing, governmental, health care, hospitality, insurance, manufacturing, metals, professional services, real estate, retail, securities, staffing, telecommunications, transportation, warehousing, waste management and wholesale.

As Managing Member of the firm, Brad believes that active leadership is critical in *leading* parties to the facts. Brad is on the Illinois Certified Public Accountant Society's Board of Directors, is Chair of The Strategic Planning Executive Committee and serves on the Committee Structure and Volunteerism Committee. Previously, he Chaired the ICPAS Consulting Services Executive Committee and is Chair Emeritus of the American Board of Forensic Accounting. He has attained status as Fellow of the American College of Forensic Examiners International (ACFEI). He is also a member of the University of Illinois at Chicago Accounting Department's Executive Board. Organizations have recognized his leadership and impact by conferring the ACFEI Distinguished Board Service Award and University of Illinois at Chicago's Accounting Alumni of the Year Award to him. In 2012, Brad was inducted into the University of Illinois at Chicago's College of Business Administration Alumni Leadership Academy.

In addition to the ACFEI, Brad is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Forensic & Valuation Services Section, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, Association of Certified Fraud Specialists, Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Advisors and the Illinois Certified Public Accountant Society. He is also an associate member of the American Bar Association, Litigation and Criminal Justice Sections.

Brad's enthusiasm for forensics is evidenced by his published articles, multiple speaking engagements and passion for teaching. Professionals and students alike have learned from Brad how to "think like a forensic accountant." He authors a monthly column on forensics for INSIGHT magazine and he has presented numerous continuing education seminars on the subject of forensic accounting and fraud examinations. He has been frequently sought out for quotes in various media. Brad recently served as the national instructor for the Certified Forensic Accountant course and also acts as a guest lecturer on forensic accounting at Bradley University, Eastern Illinois University, Illinois State University, Illinois Wesleyan University, Northern Illinois University, Southern Illinois University, the University of Illinois at Chicago and University of St. Francis.

When not involved in client service or professional activities, Brad spends his time with his wife chasing his five children. He and his family are deeply involved in the United Methodist Church of New Lenox. He can also be frequently spotted at the Union League Club of Chicago.

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