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Michael J. Garibaldi is the President of the Firm and in charge of the Law Firm Services, Forensic Accounting, Litigation and Business Valuation Groups. In addition to traditional accounting for law firms, the Law Firm Services Group provides services designed to help identify and understand a full range of firm governance, partner compensation and profitability issues to help law firms gain a competitive advantage. The Forensic Accounting, Litigation and Business Valuation Group uncovers hidden assets, provides expert testimony, analyzes damages and values the minority and controlling interests in closely held businesses and professional practices for the purpose of acquisition, sale, estate tax and estate planning, shareholder litigation, equitable distribution, structuring buy/sell agreements, financial planning, arbitration and litigation.

One of the industry's leading law firm services experts, Michael Garibaldi has a strong background providing efficient and affordable solutions to the many complex issues facing the legal profession today. He works closely with law firms and other professional service firms, as well as clients in manufacturing, wholesale/retail, technology, medical, artists and galleries, construction and real estate where he is responsible for providing accounting, tax planning, management consulting services, and financial reporting. He has extensive experience assisting attorneys and their clients with the financial aspects of a case throughout the litigation process, from contemplation of action through expert witness testimony. Mr. Garibaldi brings an in-depth understanding of the business and technical aspects of valuation, finance and accounting that is required in complex litigation and arbitration cases. His areas of expertise include accounting and consulting, forensic accounting, and the valuation of closely held businesses and professional practices in the context of a marital dissolution, shareholder or partner dissolution/oppression actions, fraud, embezzlement, bankruptcy, equitable distribution, structuring buy/sell agreements, personal injury, wrongful death or termination, business loss, breach of contract, acquisition, sale, estate tax and estate planning. In addition, he has also performed damage due diligence reviews for potential real estate acquisitions.

Michael J. Garibaldi qualifies as an expert in valuation matters in the Supreme Courts of New York, Nassau, Suffolk, Kings, Queens, Richmond, Orange, Monmouth and Westchester Counties, and has been called upon by the courts to serve as a neutral expert. As an instructor of the AICPA Certificate of Achievement Program in Business Valuation, Mr. Garibaldi teaches his specialty to other professionals.

A Certified Public Accountant licensed by the State of New York, Mr. Garibaldi is a Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA), and Accredited in Business Valuation (ABV) and Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF) by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). He is a Member of the Institute of Business Appraisers (IBA), the American Society of Appraisers (ASA), the ASA-LI Chapter, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, the AICPA and the NYSSCPA. He is a Past President and former member of the Board of Directors of the NYSSCPA-Nassau Chapter, and has held a variety of positions on the Litigation Support Committee of the Nassau County and State Chapters of the NYSSCPA. Mr. Garibaldi has also held a number of positions on other committees and sub-committees within these organizations.

The Garibaldi Group offers a wide range of traditional and non-traditional services including accounting and auditing, forensic accounting, business valuation, merger and acquisition consulting, income tax consultation and preparation, litigation support, management consulting, private wealth management and financial and estate planning.