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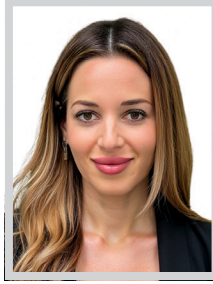


MARIJANE KANTZABEDIAN

Partner
Miller Kaplan

Marijane Kantzabedian is a key contributor to the high-performance culture at Miller Kaplan. With 18 years of experience, she has specialized in financial statement audits for the entertainment, media and technology sectors, focusing primarily on private companies and exempt organizations. Kantzabedian's deep understanding of audit principles, combined with her ability to tailor services to each client's needs, has resulted in the establishment of many enduring client relationships.

In addition to her primary role, Kantzabedian is an active member of the quality control committee. In this capacity, she helps ensure compliance with industry, state, and federal audit regulations by monitoring and reporting on policy updates, thereby supporting both the firm and its clients in maintaining high standards.



MIRIAM KAPLAN

Partner; CAS Practice Leader
Duffy Kruspodin, LLP

Miriam Kaplan, MBA, CPA, is a partner and the Client Advisory Services practice leader at Duffy Kruspodin, LLP, where she is driving one of the firm's most strategic growth initiatives: helping businesses gain timely, accurate visibility into their financial performance. Kaplan leads a team delivering outsourced accounting, fractional controller and CFO services, and data-driven financial insights to small and mid-sized enterprises across Southern California. She brings a modern, technology-enabled approach to advisory, equipping business owners with clear, actionable intelligence on liquidity, solvency, profitability and operational efficiency.

Her impact extends well beyond process improvements. Under her leadership, clients are empowered to scale sustainably, prepare for transactions, and make critical decisions with foresight rather than hindsight.

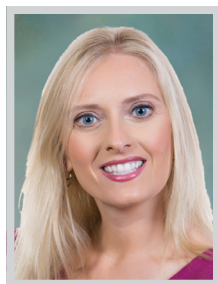


ANDREW KLINT

Managing Director, Grant Thornton Advisors LLC
Grant Thornton

Andrew Klint is a managing director in Grant Thornton's Los Angeles audit practice, specializing in asset management clients across the LA market. He supports both public and private entities in meeting financial reporting objectives, raising capital and advancing business goals.

With 14 years at Grant Thornton, Klint has developed deep knowledge across private equity and private credit funds, specialty lenders, mortgage REITs, fintech, loan servicers and asset managers. His technical depth spans fair value accounting, securitizations, mortgage servicing rights and derivative instruments. He also brings experience in HUD compliance reviews, Regulation AB examinations and M&A advisory. Klint's two-year rotation with the German member firm of Grant Thornton International Ltd expanded his global network and deepened his ability to deliver cross-border solutions for clients.



STACEY KORMAN

Partner
EisnerAmper

Stacey Korman's 25 years of experience in the public accounting profession is characterized by her consistent commitment to excellence, leadership and client service. As an outsourced service partner for mid-market, she has been a true leader of accounting professionals, fostering a collaborative team and a growth-oriented environment.

Korman takes pride in being a mentor to staff, developing their technical skills and professional confidence. Her leadership philosophy centers on empowerment, accountability and collaboration. She leads by example and doesn't shy away from rolling up her sleeves to support the team or tackle complex challenges directly. She is particularly proud of the dozens of team members who have achieved senior and manager roles both in both public and private accounting under her guidance.

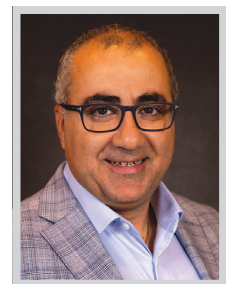


JASON A. KREIN

Tax Partner, Tax Services
RSM US LLP

With more than 23 years of accounting and finance experience, Jason A. Krein has built a career specializing in private equity and venture capital. He previously led the private equity industry practice for Los Angeles and the West region at RSM US LLP, where he established himself as a trusted technical resource in partnership taxation.

Krein regularly advises on complex matters including purchase and sale transactions, income allocation provisions, and tax-efficient structuring for private equity and venture capital funds. His client work spans diverse industries, from manufacturing and media to transportation and e-sports. Through his leadership and technical acumen, Krein continues to deliver significant value for clients while elevating RSM's reputation in the private equity sector.



RAFFI KURKJIAN

President
RGK Accountancy, P.C.

Raffi G. Kurkjian exemplifies the highest standards of excellence, leadership and service in the accounting profession. Since joining CalCPA in 2016, Kurkjian has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to advancing the profession, supporting fellow accountants, and giving back to the community.

Currently serving as the president of the Los Angeles Chapter of CalCPA, Kurkjian plays a pivotal role in shaping the direction of one of the most influential chapters in California. His leadership is marked by innovation, collaboration and a relentless drive to elevate the profession. Under his guidance, the chapter has expanded its outreach, strengthened member engagement, and fostered a culture of mentorship and inclusion. He is a passionate advocate for the profession, regularly promoting CalCPA to peers and encouraging active participation among accountants at all career stages.

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STEVE LANDAU
Partner
NKSF, LLC

Throughout Steve Landau's career, he has always focused on more than what the numbers say, but rather how they impact his clients. Landau has more than 20 years of experience in business management. Over that time, his clients have included internationally renowned musicians, entrepreneurs, film directors and athletes.

Landau's focus is business management and he specializes in comprehensive tour planning and operations; structuring new business; budgeting; cash flow analysis; financing and purchasing large assets; tax and estate planning; and family office services. Prior to working in business management, Landau worked in the film and television industry as a talent manager. He served on the board of Shomrei Torah Synagogue for seven years, four as the treasurer. His charitable focus is on educational institutions.



DANIEL LEE
Partner
Duffy Kruspodin, LLP

Daniel Lee, CPA, is a partner in Duffy Kruspodin's Beverly Hills office, where he helps guide families, entrepreneurs and business owners through their most complex financial decisions. Promoted to partner in 2023, Lee represents the next generation of leadership at Duffy Kruspodin, bringing more than two decades of experience in tax, family office, and trusts and estates services to clients across Los Angeles.

In addition to his extensive work with high-net-worth families, Lee is also one of the firm's leaders in the professional services industry, advising law firms, medical practices, and other closely held service organizations. He understands the unique financial and operational challenges these businesses face and delivers tailored strategies to help them remain competitive, compliant and sustainable.



STEPHEN LEE
Tax Partner
Citrin Cooperman

Stephen Lee, partner at Citrin Cooperman's West Los Angeles office, brings over 30 years of tax experience, specializing in real estate and private equity. He advises REITs, real estate funds, leveraged buyouts, growth equity, debt funds, and management firms, guiding clients across structuring, acquisitions, operations, and dispositions. Before Citrin Cooperman, he spent 15 years at Ernst & Young and more than seven years at PwC, serving as engagement partner for Fortune 500 public REITs and private real estate funds. His expertise, leadership and client impact make him a standout candidate.

Lee contributes to the accounting and real estate communities by providing technical training on partnership and REIT taxation, helping elevate industry knowledge and professional standards.



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MIKE SOVIK, CPA



MATT COCHRAN, CPA



LINDA CHOU, CPA, MBT

CONGRATULATIONS!

From all of us at Lucas Horsfall to our LABJ Top 100 Accountants honorees, **Matt Cochran**, **Mike Sovik**, and **Linda Chou**. Your leadership and commitment to excellence inspire us all.

