

# PAUL R. SISSON, CPA

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Office of Mayor-elect Miro Weinberger**

*Transition Team Co-Chair*, March 2012 – present

Serve as co-chair of Mayor-elect's transition team tasked with conducting top-to-bottom review of City departments, vetting candidates for mayoral appointments to lead City departments, and establishing action plans for mayoral priorities.

*Budget Team Chair*, February 2012 – present

Lead budget team to examine, understand, and prepare balanced FY 2013 budget. Review Kiss Administration's draft budget and make recommendations to Mayor-elect regarding possible changes to revenue and expense assumptions, and department processes and staffing.

### **Financial Consultant**

*Self-Employed*, July 2004 – present

Provide financial consultation to a variety of companies, both small and large. Prepare and advise on preparation of US GAAP financial statements for Northern New England Energy Corporation, Vermont Gas Systems, and Green Mountain Power (2007 – present). Provided consultation and assistance to Northern New England Energy Corporation on the implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards (2009). Served as acting CFO of Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. (June – December 2007).

### **KPMG**

*Partner*, July 1988 – June 2004 (retirement)

*Manager and Senior Manager*, July 1983 – June 1988

*Assistant, Staff, Senior, and Supervising Senior Accountant*, July 1978 – June 1983

Provided audit services to a large variety of companies during first 10 years of career, including governments, hospitals, non-profits, and manufacturing companies. Managed increasing responsibilities as larger, public companies became specialty. Served as partner in charge of recruiting for Albany, NY office (1991-2000). Instructed KPMG training programs for staff and manager level employees (mid-1990s). Implemented KPMG's Quality Program in Albany, NY office (mid-1990s). Managed completion of many due diligence assignments and acquisition audits for purchases made by General Electric's power systems business (1996-2000), as well as for other companies. Provided services involving public offerings of securities, including one initial public offering. Worked in KPMG's Department of Professional Practice, and took on additional responsibilities as an SEC Reviewing Partner (mid-2000). Created and operated the US GAAP Advisory Services practice in Amsterdam and Brussels offices (2000-02), providing accounting advice and consultation to European companies, as well as acquisition due diligence. Served as partner in charge of all services to General Electric in Europe (2001-02).

*Representative client list*: Albany Molecular Research; General Electric Company; Royal Philips Electronics N.V.; State of New York; State University of New York; Trans World Entertainment Corp.; Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.

*Employment locations*: Burlington, VT (2002-04); Amsterdam, Netherlands (2000-02); New York, NY (2000); Albany, NY (1990-2000); Burlington, VT (1987-90); Albany, NY (1978-87).

## PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATIONS

**Certified Public Accountant**, Licensed in New York

**Member, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants**

## EDUCATION

**University of Vermont, Burlington, VT**, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, May 1978.

## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

**Leahy Center for Lake Champlain – ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center**

*Vice Chair, Board of Directors*, 2012 – present

*Member, Board of Directors*, 2007 – present

*Chair, Planning and Finance Committee*, 2010 – present

**United Way of Chittenden County**

*Member, Board of Directors*, 2002-04