



Faculty Biographies



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Michael G. Kaplan has more than 37 years of experience in the areas of forensic accounting, business valuation, and litigation consulting. He is a co-founder of Kaplan, Abraham, Burkert Associates, Forensic Valuation Consultants. Mr. Kaplan is called upon regularly to serve as a forensic expert in litigation matters, including business litigation, professional malpractice matters, fraud and embezzlement, intellectual property, marital dissolution, loss of earnings, employment matters, and partner and shareholder disputes. He has qualified to testify in court as an expert witness in approximately 250 matters. Mr. Kaplan has also served as a court-appointed expert and accounting referee.

Mr. Kaplan is actively involved in the educational field. He has served on the faculty of the Marshall School of Business and Leventhal School of Accounting at the University of Southern California. He has lectured to various bar association groups, CPA groups, appraiser groups, and other professional organizations. Mr. Kaplan has also lectured at regional and worldwide conferences of international associations of accounting firms. He has developed and presented continuing education programs in financial and management accounting, economic damages, forensic accounting, business valuation, and the CPA's role in litigation. He has also authored publications in the areas of business valuation, lost profits, litigation practice marketing, valuation practice management, and expert testimony.

Mr. Kaplan is a principal member of the training development team of the National Association of Certified Valuators and Analysts[™] (NACVA[®]) and the Consultants' Training Institute[™] (CTI[™]). He is the recipient of NACVA's Circle of Light award (the highest distinction awarded to NACVA instructors), Instructor of the Year award, Instructor of Exceptional Distinction awards, and Outstanding Member award.

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