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General Background

- ▶ Joined Baden Gage & Schroeder, LLC in 2012 and was named a director with the firm in 2017 and has 30 years of professional accounting and business consultation experience
- ▶ Extensive industry knowledge with clients involved in manufacturing, agriculture, construction, service and retail
- ▶ Practice focuses on consultations in business structure, buy/sell scenarios, growth planning, estate planning and tax reduction strategies

General Experience

Sell/Buy Advisory and Acquisition/Joint Venture Services

- ▶ Transaction structure
- ▶ Purchase price allocations
- ▶ Capital gains planning
- ▶ Installment sale issues
- ▶ Tax-free reorganization planning

Business Tax Planning

- ▶ Partnership, S and C corporation planning and compliance
- ▶ Multi-state tax planning and compliance services
- ▶ Real estate entities
- ▶ Mergers and acquisitions
- ▶ Abatement application and compliance procedures

Individual Tax

- ▶ Individual income tax and estate planning
- ▶ Personal property tax reduction strategies
- ▶ Generational planning
- ▶ Estate planning

Education and Credentials

- ▶ Indiana University School of Business, Bachelor of Science in Business
- ▶ Certified Public Accountant

Trade/Industry/Professional Associations

- ▶ American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- ▶ Indiana CPA Society
- ▶ Board Member and Past Board President for Hope's Harbor
- ▶ Member of Women's Business Forum
- ▶ Finance Committee / Board Member for Fort Wayne Philharmonic
- ▶ Strategic Partner, Financial Executive International