

## **LESLIE O. DAWSON, CPA, CVA, ABV, CFF**

### **Curriculum Vitae**

**Dawson CPA Firm - Owner**  
**California Certified Public Accountant – June, 1995**  
**Experience Providing Litigation Support Services Since 1991**

#### **American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)**

- Member – 1995 to present.
- Accredited in Business Valuation Designation (ABV)
- Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF)

#### **California Society of Certified Public Accountants**

- Member – 1995 to present.
- Family Law Section, Chair – 2004 –2006. Officer – 1999-2006. Presents the quarterly family law tax updates. Member – 1996 to present.
- Statewide Family Law Conference – Committee
- Contra Costa County Pro Bono Program – Coordinator – 2002 to present.
- Chair of the “Tax Issues in Divorce Mini-Conference” – 2005 to present.
- Assistant Editor of “The Witness Chair” – 2002 to present.
- Family Law Section Distinguished Service Award – 2010.
- CalCPA & AICPA “Woman to Watch” Award – 2010.

#### **National Association of Certified Valuators and Analysts**

- **Certified Valuation Analyst (CVA)** – February 1998.

#### **Professional Experience**

- Appointed Court’s Expert in California Superior Courts.
- Experience in public and private industry accounting since 1980.
- Authored articles for various professional publications.
- Speaker for California Society of CPAs, Contra Costa County Bar Association, California Bar Association, American Bar Association, American Institute of CPAs (AICPA), National Business Institute and other professional organizations.
- Institute of Management Accountants – Board of Directors, Diablo Valley – 1992 to 1997.

## **Community Activities**

- Trinity Center Walnut Creek – Board of Directors – 2012 to Present.
- Walnut Creek Chamber of Commerce – Board of Directors 2007 to present; Past Chair of the Board; Finance Director 2013 to present.
- Mt. Diablo Interpretive Association (MDIA) – Board of Directors – 2007 to present; Treasurer 2014 to present.
- Various homeless and social service programs in Contra Costa County – including Winter Nights Rotating Shelter and Contra Costa Interfaith Coalition – 2000 to present.
- Ujima Family Recovery Services – Board of Directors and Treasurer- 2004 to present.
- Carlston for City Council Campaign – Assistant Treasurer – 2014.
- Community Blue Ribbon Task Force – City of Walnut Creek – 2011.
- Kid’s Turn – Board of Director – January 2007 to July 2011.
- Mt. Diablo Habitat for Humanity – 1994 – 2002 – Board of Directors, Past President.
- Leadership Contra Costa Program (Walnut Creek Chamber of Commerce) – 1995/1996.

## **Education**

- Masters of Taxation degree at Golden Gate University, August, 1998
- Bachelor of Arts in Accounting (Cum Laude) Sonoma State University, May, 1991
- Society of California Accountants Scholarship, 1989 and 1990
- Finley Foundation Scholarship, 1990