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Margaret J. Smith is the founder of SolutionSmith, Inc. She formed the firm in 2005 after twenty years of experience with firms in Michigan and Florida.

Professional Experience

Ms. Smith spent the last twelve years at Kapila & Company, a niche firm focusing on bankruptcy and litigation consulting. Ms. Smith concentrates on consulting and providing bankruptcy litigation and forensic analysis services to debtors, creditors and bankruptcy trustees. She has provided extensive litigation support services, including expert testimony in both federal and state court matters, involving damage calculations, complex asset tracing, and solvency analysis. Her creditors' rights and bankruptcy experience includes investigating corporate business conduct and performing complex financial analysis for entities in and out of bankruptcy. Ms. Smith has assisted Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Trustees, Examiners and court appointed receivers operate businesses in a variety of industries. Assisting in the analysis of proof of insolvency and in strategies of preference/fraudulent transfer analyses, or defenses thereof is a significant part of Ms. Smith's practice. She has conducted forensic investigations in conjunction with receiverships of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Her expertise also includes insolvency taxation.

Ms. Smith has extensive experience analyzing and managing creditors claims. Her experience includes assisting legal counsel with the resolution of claim disputes, creating and managing voluminous claim databases, and the payment of distributions to creditors in a timely and efficient manner.

Ms. Smith has managed audit, tax and investigative engagements in a variety of industries including manufacturing, telecommunications, agriculture, healthcare, construction, financial institutions, and automobile organizations.

Education

Ms. Smith obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree, with majors in Accounting and Spanish. She graduated with honors from Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan.

Professional Qualifications

- Certified Public Accountant, States of Florida, Indiana and Michigan
- Accredited in Business Valuation
- Certified Insolvency and Restructuring Advisor
- Certified Fraud Examiner
- Certified Valuation Analyst

Professional Affiliations

- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Advisors
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners
- International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation
- National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts

Volunteer Activities (Past and Present)

- Lecturer to various groups on insolvency and bankruptcy related matters, including business valuations and insolvency taxation
- Junior Welfare Society – Chairperson of Ways and Means
- St. Anthony's Home & School Association President

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