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DIANE GIORDANO

Company:
Marcum LLP

Position:
Tax Partner

Diane Giordano is a tax partner in Marcum LLP's Melville office, where she works closely with large, multistate companies and family-owned businesses, providing tax consulting, financial statement disclosure and compliance services.

As the firm's tax training coordinator, Giordano organizes classes based on staff level throughout the year. She arranges for guest speakers and determines if department members should attend outside sessions.

She also heads up the firm's research and development credit Group. The group focuses on the federal Research and Development Credit, which is a tax credit to incentivize U.S. businesses to perform research within the country. Giordano leads the group in notifying Marcum about changes to the

law and visits clients and potential clients to explain eligibility and benefits, and what the IRS requires as support for the tax return credit.

Giordano has more than 20 years of accounting and tax experience. She joined Marcum in 2005. Previously, she spent 11 years at a global accounting organization, after spending six years at a Big 4 firm. Earlier in her career, Giordano was an internal auditor at a large regional bank.

A sought-after talent, Giordano authored numerous articles that have been published in various professional publications. She also serves as the editor of Marcum's newsletter, "Beyond the Numbers," and she frequently speaks on a variety of tax topics to professional and industry organizations.

Giordano is involved in numerous professional and civic associations, including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, Moxxie Network, Mentoring Partnership of Long Island, Girls, Inc. of Long Island, and Last Hope Cat Shelter.

A 2011 recipient of Long Island Business News' Top 50 Most Influential Women in Business Award, she also received the distinguished 2009 Service Award from NYSSCPA.

Giordano earned a master's degree in taxation from LIU Post and a bachelor's degree in accounting from Hofstra University. She is also a certified financial planner.

She and her husband, Roger, have two children, Kara, 16, and Aaron, 10.