



Audit Committee Member List

2023-2024

Mr. Joseph A. Blitzko, CPA [Term expires 30 June 2024]

Retired Partner of Deloitte & Touche, LLP, where he worked for 35 years in Pittsburgh, Los Angeles and Louisville. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Since his retirement, he has remained active professionally with various part-time Chief Financial Officer and consulting engagements. Additional community activities have included Junior Achievement, Grant Panelist for the Sarasota County Tourist Development Cultural Arts Program and Member of the Arts and Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County Grants Policy Committee.

Ms. Virginia Mentzer, CPA [Term expires June 31, 2026]

Ms. Mentzer has more than 25 years of experience in accounting and finance primarily in an executive leadership capacity. She is a Florida-licensed CPA, with a Bachelor of Business Administration, Specializing in Accounting, and a Master of Business Administration. She worked in internal and external auditing roles early in her career and then transitioned to a corporate Chief Financial Officer (CFO). She held CFO roles for almost twenty years, initially for an insurance and membership company, thereafter for three different financial institutions. In 2016, she joined the Florida CFO Group and started her own business providing CFO Services on a fractional and project basis via Mentzer Consulting, LLC. Ms. Mentzer and her husband live in Manatee County with their two children who both attend Manatee County public schools.

Bernard A. Wagner, CPA [Term exp June 30, 2024]

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Mr. Wagner is a Florida-licensed CPA and has worked for over 40 years in various accounting and finance roles, with 30 of those years as the CFO in public and private companies. He recently retired and now works as a financial consultant through his public accounting practice. Mr. Wagner is a Navy veteran. He is active in the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Wagner and his wife live in Manatee County with their two children, who both attend high school in Manatee County.

Jim Daniel, CPA [Term exp. June 30, 2025]

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