



FIDUCIARY ACCOUNTING SERVICES, LLC

SPECIALIZED ACCOUNTINGS FOR TRUSTS, ESTATES, AND CONSERVATORSHIPS
A NON-CPA FIRM

HEATHER HAMILTON *Founder, Managing Principal*

Attributable to her specialized experience preparing and reviewing thousands of fiduciary accountings, Heather Hamilton has developed the expertise to support litigation, mediation, and court reporting in trust, estate, and conservatorship matters.

In 2007, Heather founded Fiduciary Accounting Services, LLC (FAS) with the understanding that many attorneys, accountants, and bookkeepers do not have the time, resources, or expertise to prepare thorough and accurate accountings in accordance with the California Probate Code. Today, Heather is recognized as one of the most skilled practitioners of fiduciary accounting in the state.

Heather co-authored the *Fiduciary Accounting Handbook*, Chapters 3 and 16, published by Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB 2015) as updated in 2020. She has presented and provided fiduciary accounting instruction to professional organizations throughout California. Heather has been appointed Referee (Section 639), providing review and recommendations to the court regarding the approval of fiduciary accountings. She is a member of the East Bay Trusts & Estates Lawyers, Diablo Valley Estate Planning Council, and Professional Fiduciary Association of California.

Since its inception, Heather has led FAS to meet the challenge of tracking and documenting complex financial transactions into a simple, straightforward process—providing our clients with a final report that meets the California Probate Code requirements as well as fulfilling all fiduciary responsibilities.

Heather has built a strong reputation for FAS and developed an extremely knowledgeable team. FAS is the largest provider of accounting for trusts, estates, and conservatorships in California focusing entirely on fiduciary accounting.

Background

A graduate of California State University, Chico, Heather holds a bachelor's degree in Finance. Prior to founding FAS, Heather worked in commercial banking for 15 years, focusing on business development and client relationship management. Her client base included privately held and family-owned businesses, high net-worth individuals as well as technology companies.

She has served on the board of several local non-profit organizations including the Cancer Support Community (former board member), the Junior League of Oakland-East Bay (former President of the Board), and the Contra Costa Ballet Foundation (former President of the Board).

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Publications

Co-Author, Chapter 3, Chapter 16
Fiduciary Accounting Handbook
Continuing Education of the Bar
March 2015, updated 2020

Presentations

"Fiduciary Accounting Basics" &
"Fiduciary Accounting Advanced
Topics"

San Joaquin County Bar Association
September 17, 2019, Stockton
October 22, 2019, Stockton

"Advanced Topics on Probate
Accountings - Fiduciary Truth Serum"
CJER Annual Conference
November 7, 2018, San Francisco

"Settled and Approved: Fiduciary
Accounting from Start to Finish"
Assistant Instructor
CalCPA Education Foundation,
August 8, 2018, San Francisco

"Reviewing a Fiduciary Accounting"
Woodland Hills Tax and Estate
Planning Council
January 4, 2017, Woodland Hills

"Trust Administration Bootcamp"
East Bay Trusts & Estates Lawyers
June 30, 2016, Oakland

"Conservatorship Bootcamp"
San Joaquin County Bar Association
February 25, 2016, Stockton

"How to Spot Problems with an
Accounting"
Panelist
East Bay Trusts & Estates Lawyers
6th Annual Luncheon
November 13, 2015, Oakland

Professional Organizations

Diablo Valley Estate Planning Council

East Bay Trusts & Estates
Lawyers (EBTEL)

Professional Fiduciary Association
of California (PFAC)