

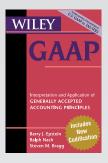
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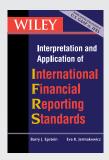
## We Wrote the Books on U.S. GAAP and IFRS



Dr. Epstein authored the 3,000 page reference, *The Handbook of Accounting and Auditing*, from 1988 through 2013.



Dr. Epstein served as the lead author of 26 annual editions of *Wiley GAAP* from 1985 through 2010, with Mr. Nach as a coauthor from 2001 to 2010.



Dr. Epstein also served as lead author of 14 annual editions of *Wiley IFRS* from 1997 through 2010, as well as other works on U.S. GAAP and international accounting standards published by John Wiley & Sons.



**Barry Jay Epstein** Ph.D., CPA, CFF *Principal* 

**Barry Jay Epstein** is widely recognized as an international accounting and auditing expert. As a practicing accountant and frequent expert witness, he works extensively with plaintiff and defense attorneys and U.S. regulatory agencies on the following types of cases:

- Auditor liability and accountant malpractice
- White collar defense
- Financial reporting fraud and securities litigation
- Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)
- Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS)
- International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
- International accounting convergence (GAAP and IFRS)
- Sarbanes-Oxley corporate governance matters

Dr. Epstein has served as a consulting or testifying expert on more than 140 cases, and has testified at depositions and trials almost 100 times. His in-depth knowledge of accounting standards provides clarity on the interpretation of U.S. GAAP and IFRS in contractual and other commercial litigation matters.



Ralph Nach, CPA Principal

**Ralph Nach** is the author and instructional designer of the popular annual *Accounting and Auditing Clinic*<sup>TM</sup> that has been presented across the U.S. for scores of firms and thousands of attendees. He is a sought-after conference speaker and course facilitator throughout the U.S. and internationally.

Mr. Nach has served the accounting profession for more than 35 years in a variety of capacities that include auditor, quality control reviewer, and external peer reviewer. Earlier in his career he served as a national office quality control partner at McGladrey LLP and as the national chief learning officer at American Express Tax & Business Services, Inc.

Mr. Nach has served as author, co-author, contributing author, or technical editor of a number of widely-utilized technical reference works, including *PPC's Interactive Disclosure Library*, PPC/Thomson Reuters, 2011; *PPC's Guide to Preparing Financial Statements*, PPC/Thomson Reuters, 2010; *Wiley GAAP: Interpretation and Application*, John Wiley & Sons, 2001–2010; and *The Handbook of Accounting and Auditing*, Warren, Gorham & Lamont, 1999.

### EPSTEIN + NACH LLC



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As practicing auditors, authors, educators, and forensic accountants, Barry Epstein and Ralph Nach bring an objective perspective to small- and midsized accounting firms seeking to establish reasonable assurance that engagements conform to professional quality control standards, as well as to regulatory and legal requirements.



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#### **About Us**

Epstein + Nach LLC is an international financial reporting consulting firm concentrating in forensic accounting, litigation consulting and expert testimony, technical consultations, engagement quality control review (EQCR), internal inspections, and training for accountants and auditors.

Dr. Barry Jay Epstein, CPA, CFF, is a widely-published international accounting and auditing expert in U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, International Financial Reporting Standards, and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards.

Mr. Ralph Nach, CPA, is an expert in accounting, auditing, and quality control, and is the author and instructional designer of the popular annual *Accounting and Auditing Clinic*<sup> $^{\text{M}}$ </sup> continuing professional education program.

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