

# PARTNER PROFILE



## James H. Ruitenberg, CPA, CFP®, PSA Partner

Based in the firm's Fairfield office, Jim is a Certified Financial Planner, a Public School Accountant, and a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Florida.

He has over 35 years of experience providing privately held manufacturing and distribution companies with auditing, accounting and tax services. Jim also provides auditing and tax services to many nonprofit entities including private schools for children with disabilities, public charities, private foundations, social clubs, service organizations, volunteer associations, art centers and others. He is also well practiced in working with employee benefit plans and asbestos settlement trusts.

As Chairman of Bederson's Accounting and Auditing Quality Control Committee, Jim performs peer reviews of other CPA firms and serves as Team Member and Review Team Captain.

As a member of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA), Jim has served on the Accounting and Auditing Committee and Scholarship Committee. He has been an Officer (including President) of the Passaic County Chapter of the NJCPA and was named to the NJSCPA's "Best 50 Over 50" class in 2013. He was also named to *New Jersey CPA Magazine's* 2014 "CPA List" for his contributions to the accounting profession and leadership in the NJCPA.

Jim is a Board Member of the National Development and Research Institute, a New York City research and educational nonprofit dedicated to advancing scientific knowledge of subject matter concerning numerous at-risk populations. He is also active in the Lions' Club. He also served as an elected Member of his local Board of Education for eleven years.

Jim earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Susquehanna University.

He and his family reside in Passaic County.

### Education & Certifications

B.S. in Accounting, Susquehanna University  
CPA (Certified Public Accountant in the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Florida)  
CFP (Certified Financial Planner)  
PSA (Licensed Public School Accountant)

### Industries

Not-for-profit  
Manufacturing  
Distribution  
Employee Benefit Plans  
Qualified Settlement Trusts

### Services

Auditing  
Accounting  
Tax  
Business Advisory  
Peer Review

### Professional Affiliations

NJCPA (New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants) – Peer Review Executive Committee, former president, Passaic County Chapter  
AICPA (American Institute of Certified Public Accountants)

### Awards

"CPA List" - for contributions to the accounting profession and leadership in NJCPA  
NJCPA's "50 Over 50" List – for outstanding contribution to the profession

