



## **Rick Blue**

### **Qualifications Summary**

Accounting professional with 25 years of experience working with small to medium-size businesses to assure financial plans are consistent with annual and long-term organizational goals, improved operations, and internal processes. Rick believes in a hands-on approach to accounting and bringing information to management in their language. He has experience in a broad range of industries and specializes in construction and nonprofit businesses.

### **Core Expertise**

- Annual Forecasting • Budget Preparation • Accounts Receivable, Full Cycle • Accounts Payable, Full Cycle • Financial Statements & Reporting • Project Job Costing • Multi-State B&O/Excise Tax Returns • Cash Flow Management • General Ledger Accounting • Reconstructive Accounting • Internal & External Auditing • Contract Review • Payroll Processing of State & Federal Quarterly Returns • Prevailing Wage & Union Reporting

### **Professional History**

ASP	Consultant	2023 - Current
Construction Accounting Northwest	Accountant, Consultant	2022 - 2023
CREO Industrial Arts	Controller, HR Manager	2019 - 2022
North Sound Accounting & Auditing	Accountant, Consultant	2009 - 2019
Washington Floor & Tile Co.	Controller	1998 - 2008

### **Accomplishments**

- Set up full job cost accounting systems, moving outsourced payroll to an internal process, and creating workable tools for project managers/estimators for each job in progress.
- Worked closely with estimating and project managers during final project budget review and analysis to increase future production and profit. Implemented improved estimating and management controls.
- Created Human Resource policy & procedure and safety manuals.
- Reviewed estimates, contracts, and labor agreements prior to starting projects to avoid costly errors.
- As a consultant, helped clients form or buy existing businesses and provided the necessary guidance and tools to grow and expand.

### **Education / Licenses**

- University of Washington, Software Product Management Certificate
- Bellevue College, Associates of Arts

### **Software**

- QuickBooks Enterprise/Desktop/Online • Acumatica • A4 Accounting • Microsoft Excel, Word