



Susan Leonard

ESC Consultant Since: 2013

Education:

M.B.A., Finance, University of California, Berkeley
B.S., Business Administration, University of California, Berkeley
Licensed CPA in California

AREAS OF EXPERTISE: Finance, board development, strategic planning, fundraising, coaching, volunteer engagement, taxation

PRIVATE SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE: Susan spent nearly 35 years with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), giving her a broad range of experience in corporate, individual and partnership taxation. She has worked with all kinds of clients, including large multinational corporations, private businesses, government agencies, nonprofits and high net worth individuals.

Her particular area of expertise involved insurance companies and other financial services companies. Susan served as PwC's National Insurance Tax Leader, responsible for the strategic direction, growth, resource deployment and development of partners and professional staff throughout the United States. She was also involved in various firm diversity initiatives, including co-leading PwC's Southern California Diversity Program. Susan particularly enjoyed coaching and mentoring partners and staff at PwC as well.

Susan was also on the Advisory Board for the Master of Tax Law Program at Loyola Law School.

NONPROFIT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: Susan is on the LA Regional Food Bank's Executive Committee, served as past board chair and currently is chair of the Board Development Committee. Also, she is part of the Permanent Supportive Housing Committee of OPCC.

In the past, Susan was on the board of Porrath Foundation for cancer patient advocacy. She was also a financial literacy program instructor, teaching children in Belize and in South Central LA.

EXAMPLES OF ESC CLIENTS: NewGround: A Muslim Jewish Partnership for Change, Our House Grief Support Center, South Central Family Health Center, Bresee Foundation, GO Campaign, Community Senior Services, Pathways LA, The Achievable Foundation, Kheir Center, River LA, Down Syndrome Foundation, Food Forward, California Volunteers Service Enterprise Initiative

INTERESTS: Hiking, walking her dog, extension classes (science, history, law, art, music)