

JAMES C. BOURKE, CPA.CITP

Jim is a Partner, Member of the Board of Directors and a Member of the Management Committee at WithumSmith+Brown, Red Bank, New Jersey and is Director of Firm Technology. In that capacity, he has the responsibility for overseeing all technology issues and operations for the Firm's eleven offices and over five hundred employees. Jim gives direction and vision to a group of talented internal technology professions whose job it is to keep the Firm functional 24/7. His responsibilities consist of network design and implementation, Internet connectivity solutions, wireless network configuration, technology strategic planning, as well as overseeing the acquisition, implementation and training of new applications and technologies throughout the Firm. In addition, Jim is also responsible for the Firm's annual technology budget

Jim has been a frequent speaker to many State CPA Societies and the AICPA on topics specifically related to technologies employed within a CPA Firm. He has been consulted by numerous CPA Firms throughout the United States on appropriateness of technologies being employed within the Firm and has also been a frequent speaker on related topics for the New Jersey Technology Council, NJ Biz Magazine and other organizations. Jim has authored many articles dealing with firm technology issues and was featured on the cover of past issues of *Accounting Technology Magazine* and *Practical Accountant Magazine*.

Jim joined the Firm in February 1987. He received his BS degree in Accounting from Kean University, Union, NJ. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the New Jersey Society of CPAs (NJSCPA). Jim was one of the first CPA's in the nation to receive the Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP) designation from the AICPA.

He is currently serving on the Executive Committee as Immediate Past President for the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants and is also Past-Chairman of the NJSCPA Chapter Operations Committee and Past President of the Monmouth/Ocean Chapter of the NJSCPA.

In addition, Jim currently sits on the AICPA's CITP Credential Committee and the AICPA Top Technology Initiatives Task Force and is a current member of AICPA Council.

Jim licensed as a CPA in New Jersey, New York and North Carolina.