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Robert J. Kueppers is a senior technical partner with Deloitte & Touche in its National Office in Wilton, Connecticut and is the firm's National Managing Partner—Risk, Professional, and Regulatory Matters. In this capacity Mr. Kueppers leads the firm's professional practice group in its National Office, has overall responsibility for the firm's risk management programs, as well as responsibility for domestic regulatory matters and legislative affairs. Mr. Kueppers was previously in charge of the firm's professional practice group, served as the firm's National Director of SEC Services and served as the firm's National Director of Independence. He is also a Vice Chairman of Deloitte & Touche USA LLP.

From 1992 to 1996 Mr. Kueppers was the Chief Financial Officer of an SECreporting manufacturing company in New York. From 1986 through 1992 he served as a partner in the New York and National Offices of Deloitte & Touche.

From 1984 to 1986 Mr. Kueppers was a Professional Accounting Fellow in the Office of the Chief Accountant at the SEC in Washington, DC. Accounting Fellows work extensively with registrants and their accountants on unique accounting issues, are involved in SEC rulemaking projects, and participate in the oversight of the accounting profession.

Mr. Kueppers began his career with Deloitte & Touche in Minneapolis, Minnesota after graduating from the University of Minnesota in 1976.

Mr. Kueppers is active in issues affecting the profession on behalf of the firm. He is presently the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the AICPA's Center for Public Company Audit Firms. He is a past member of the AICPA's SEC Practice Section Executive Committee, the Professional Ethics Executive Committee, and the SEC Regulations Committee. Mr. Kueppers is also President of the SEC Historical Society in Washington, DC. and a member of the PCAOB's Standing Advisory Group.