

Our People

Gary Jackson

Gary acts for a diverse range of mainly entrepreneurial clients providing a mixture of technical, tax and commercial advice. He has been involved with a large number of sales and purchases of businesses as well as reorganisations and reconstructions. He also advises on the establishment and suitability of captive and protected cell captive insurance arrangements.

He is the Finance Director of CaSE Insurance partnership which provides charities and social enterprises with access to a dedicated suite of insurance policies designed for the sector. ABG are one of the founders of this partnership which returns over 30% of its profits to the charity sector.

Gary is also responsible for ABG's property and IT functions.



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Paul Berlyn

Paul is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Paul joined ABG in 1989 having qualified with a top 20 firm of Chartered Accountants. He was promoted to Partner in 1992 and became Managing Partner in 2008.

Paul's portfolio includes clients in the property and recruitment sectors. He provides a wide variety of services to these clients and is involved in all aspects of their affairs.

A number of Paul's clients have matured and grown under his stewardship and he has been involved in several business sales in recent years.

Paul regularly advises overseas companies on establishing and running businesses in the UK.

Paul's father, Gerald was a founder of the firm.



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Mark Rubinson

Mark trained with a City-based medium-sized firm of Chartered Accountants from 1982 to February 1986, when he joined ABG as a Manager progressing to Partner by June 1989.

Mark's portfolio comprises mainly medium-sized, owner-managed businesses and high net worth individuals and includes clients involved in an extensive cross section of businesses.

Mark's forte is tax planning and mitigation in respect of both corporate and personal taxation.

Additionally, Mark is increasingly being asked to undertake 'one-off' assignments, including forensic reviews and valuations,.



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Filiz Zekia

Filiz joined ABG in 1994 and was promoted to partner in 2000. Her client portfolio includes owner-managed businesses covering a wide range of sectors, including media, retail, wholesale and property together with high net worth individuals;

Filiz is involved with several internal management committees.

Filiz specialises in tax and is keen to deal with all taxation issues arising on her client portfolio.



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Julie Piper

Julie is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Julie joined ABG in 1996 having qualified with a top 40 firm of Chartered Accountants. She was promoted to Partner in January 2000 and deals with many of the firm's larger audits and regulated clients.

Julie's client base includes FSA regulated clients, together with clients within the property sector.

As well as audit clients Julie also advises clients on personal and corporate tax issues.



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John Donohoe

John joined ABG in March 2004 as an Audit Senior after qualifying as an Chartered Accountant at a Birmingham based firm.

Whilst continuing to work on a variety of owner-managed businesses covering many sectors and activities, John is developing his own portfolio of clients with a focus on young entrepreneurial businesses, new start-ups and individuals.

As well as both audit and accounts John also advises clients on personal and corporate tax issues. In addition, John has significant experience in advising clients on the preparation of forecasts, budgets and business plans for presentation to potential fundraisers including banks.



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Paul Morris

Having previously worked for firms in Sussex and Guernsey, Paul joined ABG as an Audit Senior in 1997 and was made partner in 2001. Paul works with owner managed businesses and assist their owners on many facets of their business providing support and advice to help them deal with the many challenges faced.

His clients are from many business sectors including those in IT and media and include start ups and rapidly growing companies.

In addition, he works with overseas companies who set up or acquire UK businesses and provides them with a soft landing in the UK, as well as providing them with an out-sourced accounting function. Paul works on many of the firm's Corporate Finance exercises including M&A, due diligence and re/financing assignments including preparation of business plans/ forecasts.



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