



Deborah E. Beams, CPA  
Director

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Deborah, the current assistant accounting and auditing director for the firm's Dallas office, has more than 10 years of accounting and auditing experience working primarily in the not-for-profit and government industries. She also has extensive experience with Single Audits. Prior to her employment with BKD, Deborah was an auditor with an international firm. Her clients included public and private institutions of higher education, private schools, municipalities, religious organizations and health and welfare organizations. She now serves as accounting and auditing assistant director for BKD's Dallas office, performing quality control reviews and assisting audit teams with technical matters.

She spent three years as a practice fellow at the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. During that time, she worked on projects leading to the issuance of GASB Statements on nonexchange financial guarantees, fair value and external investments pools. She also originated and led the GASB project on leases, which involved collaboration with Financial Accounting Standards Board staff and presentations to the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board.

Deborah is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.

She is a *summa cum laude* graduate of University of North Texas, Denton, with a B.S. degree as well as a 2005 graduate with an M.S. degree, where she was named Outstanding Masters Student.

Deborah has received approximately 223 hours of relevant CPE in the last three years.



Rachel R. Ormsby, CPA  
Manager

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Rachel has six years of experience providing accounting and audit services to governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations, including extensive experience in Single Audits. As a member of BKD National Governmental Group, she currently serves as the audit manager for numerous clients, including the cities of El Paso, Mesquite, North Richland Hills, Roanoke, Lancaster and Town of Addison, Texas.

As an audit in-charge, she leads the client engagement process, including the supervision and training of the audit team, review of audit workpapers and communication with the client and audit partner. In addition, Rachel has conducted presentations, providing continuing professional education for local roundtables and regional chapters of the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT).

Rachel is a member of the American Institute of CPAs, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants, Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) and GFOAT. She serves on the GFOA's Special Review Committee and GFOAT's Scholarship and Fellowship Committee.

She is a 2010 graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas, with B.B.A. and M.P.A. degrees.

Rachel has received approximately 133 hours of relevant CPE in the last three years.