

## **Biography**

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EDUCATION

B.S.C., DePaul University – Accounting and Finance

M.B.A., University of Chicago – Accounting, Economics and Behavioral Sciences

Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh – Information Systems, Statistical Decision Theory and Finance

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Illinois CPA Society – Chairman, Accounting Principles Committee and Featured Speaker, Numerous Technical Conferences

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) – Chair, Auditing Subcommittee of the Board of Examiners, and Member, Various Committees

American Accounting Association, International Section

Dr. Barry Epstein is a consulting and testifying expert witness on accounting, auditing and financial reporting matters. He has participated in more than 80 litigation assignments over the past 20 years – including several headline cases. His clients have included state and federal government agencies and major national law firms, involving both commercial litigation (assisting both plaintiff and defense) and white collar criminal defense matters.

His 40 years of experience as a practicing CPA, academician and author has given Barry the academic knowledge combined with a wealth of real-world experience needed to unravel the most complex incorrect or fraudulent financial reporting.

Considered “the accountant’s accountant,” Dr. Epstein is the author of three leading accounting reference books on GAAP and GAAS, including the increasingly important international accounting standards that are used in practice everyday. He can provide expertise with cases involving:

**Forensic accounting:** Barry’s in depth investigations on the applications of complex accounting principles result in standards-compliant audits that expose crucial accounting violations.

**Accounting malpractice:** As a prolific writer on GAAP and GAAS, Barry brings compelling credentials to cases for the plaintiff or defendant.

**Financial reporting and securities fraud:** The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of Justice (DOJ) and leading national law firms call on Dr. Epstein as a consulting or testifying expert witness.

Cases have been noted to settle on the basis of Barry's detailed Rule 26 (or equivalent) expert witness reports. His clear and comprehensive writing style delivers a complete exposition of accounting standards, documented with extensive citations. His assistance in developing direct and cross-examination outlines and his delivery of deposition and trial testimony have been well received by scores of attorneys throughout the U.S.