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CBM Managing Partner Peter B. Reilly Presents On Accounting at His Alma Mater, Marquette University

Reilly Returns the Educational Favor Where He First Learned Business Leadership

March 27, 2017 (Bethesda, MD & Washington, DC) – Peter B. Reilly, CPA, CVA, managing partner at Councilor, Buchanan & Mitchell, P.C. (CBM) first learned about running a business at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He graduated from the university with a bachelor's of science degree in business administration. He returned March 21-22 to present to audiences in the accounting department and the university Center for Peacemaking program.

"I've heard the next batch of students entering the work force are considered Generation Z," said Reilly. "But to experience their mission-centric attitude firsthand left me overwhelmed. I believe the future looks very bright for the US as well as the rest of the world with these entrepreneurial types preparing for a future in accounting."

Reilly shared details about the top skills the accounting industry believes graduates will have to learn to succeed in the workforce. Data analysis and interpersonal skills were high on the list, due at least partly to the impact of technology on the modern workforce. He also reviewed the benefits available to team members at CBM such as a financial contribution to a CPA review course, fund social activities and a professional mentoring program with senior managers.

In addition to presenting to accounting students, Reilly was also approached to present by the university's Center for Peacekeeping. He shared photos of his and other team members' travels on behalf of international development clients to Asia and Africa.

"Riding an elephant is not how a lot of people think of accountants," said Reilly, referring to a photo of himself in Sri Lanka. "But when our clients invest in health and community development projects in other countries, the auditors need to be on site to ensure the work is being done. You just try to take a few minutes off to enjoy the local scene."

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