

Richard H. Gesseck
Partner

Richard H. Gesseck, CPA, recently joined J.H. Cohn as an audit partner. He has more than 40 years of public accounting experience, including 20 years as an audit partner with Ernst & Young. Dick serves middle-market, public and privately-held manufacturing, distribution, and hi-tech entities, including those in the developmental stages and alternative energy (wind and solar).



Dick has served as a conference leader for more than 200 technical accounting and auditing seminars for numerous state CPA societies and the American Institute of CPAs. Courses he has lead include SEC reporting, SEC/PCAOB updates, GAAP and GAAS updates, and internal control design, documentation, and testing. He has provided customized A&A training for MasterCard International and Discovery Communications (SEC Reporting), BET Networks, Inc. and Corning, Inc. (FASB Update) and the United States Postal Service Office of Inspector General (Audit risk assessment). He also authored courses for the AICPA, including:

1. *Auditors Risk Assessment Process: Tackling the New Risk Assessment SASs:*
2. *Detecting Misstatements: Integrating SAS 99 with the new Risk Assessment Standards;*
3. *Applying the Risk Assessment Standards Using a Case Study Approach;*
4. *Applying the PCAOB Audit Risk Standards to Smaller Issuers;* and
5. *Applying the Audit Risk Assessment Standards: A Course for Newer Auditors*

In the fall of 2010, Dick presented live webcasts for Strafford Publications and The Knowledge Congress on the PCAOB's new Audit Risk Assessment Standards. Dick was also an adjunct faculty member at Fairfield University, Quinnipiac University and the University of New Haven for many years.

Dick is a member of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Small Business Advisory Committee and a board member of the Connecticut State Board of Accountancy. He received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of New Haven, and was the recipient of the University's 2002 Distinguished Alumni Award. He is currently a Trustee of Lincoln College of New England and a past president of the Connecticut Society of CPAs and New Haven Country Club and has served on several other boards.