In Praise of *The Forensic Accounting Deskbook*

From reviews posted on Amazon:

“The Forensic Accounting Deskbook is exactly what its title suggests—the perfect deskbook. The minute I picked it up its contents were useful to my practice as a family law attorney. The tips, suggestions, and content were immediately useful and valuable. Within a week of reading the book I was using the information to cross-examine an opposing expert. The information in the book allowed me to cross-examine the expert with better questions and better background information, allowing my client to ultimately prevail. The book, while content heavy, is easy and fun to read. It is a book I recommend to all family law practitioners who have ever had, or ever will have, to deal with a financial matter in a divorce.”

—Lori Nelson, Past Chair ABA Family Law Section

“... excellent. It provides plenty of detailed information about the role of the forensic accountant in family law, without overwhelming the reader. It is ‘chock’ full of practical advice and background about forensic accountants. ... A ‘Must Add’ for your practice library!”

—Kathleen Crouch

“The book is user-friendly, and it’s intelligently written and thorough. ... Even if you are a whiz at this stuff (I’ve met all of two or three attorneys that were), it would only trigger a deeper recognition of what to do next.”

—T. W. Arnold
“The book is an outstanding guide to financial analysis and forensic accounting not only for attorneys, but also for accountants and fraud investigators. . . . The Forensic Accounting Deskbook closes with information on reports and testimony. Miles outlines a suggested format for reports, which is a useful checklist for any expert. More importantly, he details deposition and trial questions that should be used to establish the foundation for a forensic accounting expert’s qualifications. The Appendix to the book includes several useful guides, including a deposition checklist for questioning an opposing forensic accountant. As with the rest of the book, this list of questions is incredibly thorough yet directed. I recommend The Forensic Accounting Deskbook to any attorney or expert witness working in the area of family law. There is something to be learned for everyone, and the numerous checklists, samples, and guides will be invaluable to your practice.”

—Tracy

“. . . the author brings to life for the reader what one might otherwise expect to be unexciting material by imparting throughout passion, humor, and shared anecdotes from both his primary profession as an accomplished family lawyer and his education, training, and experience as a Certified Public Accountant.”

—masstennattymsw

“Although I myself am a 35+ year practitioner and course developer in this field, I was still able to learn invaluable tips and techniques from his book. You’re never too old to learn and there’s always someone that might have a better mouse trap. If you are a matrimonial attorney, especially one not dealing with complex business and financial matters on a regular basis, this book belongs on your shelf. It’s malpractice not to have it, IMHO. And, if you are a CPA or similar investigator working in matrimonial litigation services, regardless of what stage you are in your career, this book belongs on your reference shelf.”

—JDU

“Mr. Mason explained the subject matter very well and it kept me interested. I’ve read this book multiple times and I learn something new every time.”

—Chelsea M.