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**STATE AND LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY
KAREN LAKE, CPA
JOINS BERKOWITZ DICK POLLACK & BRANT
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MIAMI—Berkowitz Dick Pollack & Brant Certified Public Accountants & Consultants, LLP is pleased to announce that Karen Lake, CPA has joined the Firm.

A manager in the Miami office Tax Department, Karen Lake will be responsible for leading the Firm's state and local tax consulting services. Ms. Lake advises corporate clients on state and local taxes, with an emphasis on income/franchise and sales/use taxes for multi-state entities. She conducts nexus reviews and structural planning related to acquisitions dispositions, audit defense, tax compliance, and the application of technology for state and local tax purposes. With more than 15 years of state and local tax experience, Ms. Lake has advised companies in a variety of industries.

Ms. Lake's prior professional opportunities enable her to bring a 360 degree perspective to her position. With experience as a senior advisor in Big 4 public accounting firm, a member of corporate tax department, and finally as a state auditor, she understands the full range of tax issues most businesses face, and is able to bring practical, real-world solutions to complex business environments.

A former senior tax manager at Deloitte for 9 years, Ms. Lake holds a Bachelor Degree in Accounting from Florida Atlantic University.

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