# THE CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BERMUDA

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

MARCH 31, 2017

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of The Chartered Professional Accountants of Bermuda

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Chartered Professional Accountants of Bermuda ("CPA Bermuda"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, and the related statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

This report is made solely to CPA Bermuda's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to CPA Bermuda's members, those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than CPA Bermuda and CPA Bermuda's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Bermuda and Canada, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Bermuda and Canada. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Chartered Professional Accountants of Bermuda as at March 31, 2017, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Bermuda and Canada.

Baker Tilly Insley Hamilton, Bermuda July 26, 2017

# THE CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BERMUDA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT MARCH 31, 2017

(Expressed in Bermuda Dollars)

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 249,642	\$ 280,368
Fixed deposits (Note 3)	150,761	149,706
Accounts receivable	82,008	65,140
Interest receivable	503	507
Prepaid expenses	10,374	6,881
Total current assets	493,288	502,602
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property and equipment (Note 4)	12,813	14,378
Long-term receivable (Note 12)	21,342	21,342
Total non-current assets	34,155	35,720
	\$527,443	\$538,322
LIABILITIES AND NET	ASSETS	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 5)	\$ 50,902	\$ 89,384
Deferred revenues	200	532
Total current liabilities	51,102	89,916
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted net assets	476,341	448,406
	\$ 527,443	\$538,322
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Approved by the Executive Committee:

Denuty Chairman

# THE CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BERMUDA STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

(Expressed in Bermuda Dollars)

	2017	2016
OPERATING REVENUES		
Membership fees (Note 6)	\$ 791,369	\$ 695,570
Less; CPA Canada Fees	(212,968)	(173,589)
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Net membership fees	578,401	521,981
Admission fees	34,630	35,338
Donated services (Note 8)	14,000	14,000
Interest	1,051	1,049
	628,082	572,368
OPERATING EXPENSES	020,002	<u> </u>
Salaries and benefits (Notes 2b and 7)	332,803	329,560
Rent and office maintenance (Note 9)	62,696	66,539
Conferences and committees	18,272	29,343
Amortization	5,020	5,682
Audit fees (Note 8)	14,000	14,000
Communication	11,159	11,983
Insurance	10,935	11,572
Information technology consulting	2,928	63
Advertising	1,730	2,275
Legal fees	-	2,661
Executive council expense	5,342	5,655
Disciplinary expense (Notes 10)	71,227	14,365
Printing and stationery	4,064	4,142
Miscellaneous	10,344	8,425
	550,520	506,265
Excess of operating revenues over operating expenses	<u>77,562</u>	66,103
PROGRAM (EXPENSES) REVENUES, NET (Note 2b and 7)		
Professional development	(31,013)	47,554
Student affairs	(4,123)	778
Public awareness	(14,491)	(29,049)
Net program (expenses) revenues	(49,627)	19,283
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ <u>27,935</u>	\$ <u>85,386</u>

# THE CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BERMUDA STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

(Expressed in Bermuda Dollars)

	2017	2016
Unrestricted net assets, beginning of year Excess of revenues over expenses Transfer from restricted net assets (Notes 2h and 10)	\$ 448,406 27,935	\$ 361,321 85,386 1,699
Unrestricted net assets, end of year	\$ <u>476,341</u>	\$ <u>448,406</u>
Restricted net assets, beginning of year (Note 2h) Transfer to unrestricted net assets (Notes 2h and 10)	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ 1,699 (1,699)
Restricted net assets, end of year (Note 2h)	\$ <del>_</del>	\$

# THE CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BERMUDA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

(Expressed in Bermuda Dollars)

		2017		2016
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
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Excess of revenues over expenses	\$	27,935	\$	85,386
Adjustments for non-cash items and changes in working capital:  Amortization		C 000		5 (00
		5,020		5,682
Increase in accounts receivable		(16,868)		(21,447)
Decrease (increase) in interest receivable		4		(5)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses		(3,493)		2,765
Decrease (increase) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(38,482)		18,509
Decrease in deferred revenues	***************************************	(332)		(2,070)
Net cash used in operating activities		(26,216)		88,820
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Additions to fixed deposits		(1,055)		(1,044)
Acquisition of property and equipment		(3,455)		(1,840)
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Net cash used in investing activities		(4,510)		(2,884)
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH				
EQUIVALENTS		(30,726)		85,936
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of year		280,368		194,432
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of year	\$	249,642	\$	280,368

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#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

The Chartered Professional Accountants of Bermuda (CPA Bermuda) (formerly the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bermuda) was established under the authority of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bermuda Act 1973. CPA Bermuda is affiliated with the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada (CPA Canada). Its principal objectives are to promote and increase the knowledge, skill and proficiency of its members and students, to regulate the discipline and professional conduct of its members and students, to promote the best standards of practice in financial reporting and in the expression of professional opinions in relation thereto, and to promote the welfare and interests of CPA Bermuda and the accounting profession.

CPA Canada was established under the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, effective January 1, 2013. As Canada's newest national accounting body, CPA Canada supports provincial accounting bodies that have unified, and all those that will unify, under the banner of Chartered Professional Accountant. To date all national and provincial CA, CMA and CGA bodies in Canada and Bermuda have formally announced their support of unification and are working on or have integrated operations.

In Bermuda, the Governor gave his assent to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bermuda Amendment Act 2014 on March 26, 2014, and this became effective on April 11, 2014. This marked the conclusion of the unification process in Bermuda and the transition of the Institute into Chartered Professional Accountants of Bermuda (CPA Bermuda). The legislation outlines the standards that define CPA Bermuda and provides the basis that allowed CPA Bermuda to join the unified CPA Canada body as a full member, becoming just the third jurisdiction to do so. CPA Bermuda is now in a position to accept applications for membership from holders of each of the CA, CMA and CGA Canadian designations in addition to our existing pathways to membership from our mutual recognition agreements with other overseas accounting bodies.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not – for-profit organisations, which have general application in Bermuda. CPA Bermuda's significant accounting policies are as follows:

### (a) Revenue recognition

Membership fees are recognized as revenue in the fiscal year to which they relate. Program revenues and expenses are recognized as revenues and expenses when the events are held. The portion that relates to future periods is recognized in the balance sheet as deferred revenue.

Investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

### (b) Professional development expenses

Salaries and benefits and office expenses related to professional development management are allocated to programme expenses. The ratio used on the allocation is based on management's best estimate of the time spent by the staff on professional development management in relation to general administrative work. Professional development revenue in the statement of operations is presented net of these expenses.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash, demand deposits and short-term, highly liquid investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value. Cash equivalents are investments with original maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition. The carrying value of these investments approximates their fair value because of their short maturity.

### (d) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost, net of accumulated amortization which is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Furniture and fixtures 10 years Computer equipment 3 years Leasehold improvements 3 years

#### (e) Donated services

The work of CPA Bermuda is dependent on the voluntary services of many members. Since these services are not normally purchased by CPA Bermuda, and because of the difficulty in determining their fair values, donated services by the members, except for audit fees, are not recognized in these financial statements.

#### (f) Foreign exchange

Expenses invoiced in foreign currencies are translated into Bermuda dollars at the rates of exchange in effect on the date of the transaction. Gains and losses on translation are taken to the statement of operations.

### (g) Leases

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are recognized in the statement of operations on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

#### (h) Restricted net assets

In 2010, CPA Bermuda established a reserve for disciplinary expenses by levying \$100 per member participating in public accounting. These contributions are recorded as revenue on the date of receipt and are accumulated as restricted net assets on the statement of financial position. Restricted net assets will be reduced in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. The reserve was fully depleted during the 2016 fiscal year.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (i) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Bermuda and Canada requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amount of income and expenses incurred for the reporting period of the statements of operations. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### (j) Comparatives

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in the current year. During the year ended March 31, 2017, it was discovered a portion of 2016 year membership fees had been misclassified as foreign exchange gain in the amount of \$83,272. Prior period figures have been reclassified to reflect this amount as membership fees. There was no impact on the balance of the excess of revenues over expenses as reported in the prior period Statement of Operations for this reclassification. Furthermore, there was no impact on the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Net Assets or Statement of Cash Flows due to this reclassification.

#### 3. FIXED DEPOSITS

The following interest bearing fixed deposits which represent 29% (2016 - 28%) of CPA Bermuda's assets are with Clarien Bank Limited:

	2017	2016
Fixed deposit maturing on October 5, 2017	\$ <u>150,761</u>	\$ <u>149,706</u>

The interest rate of the fixed deposit maturing on October 7, 2017, is 0.70% (2016 – 0.70%).

### 4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

This account consists of:

		Cost	 cumulated ortization	2017 Net book value	2016 Net book value
Furniture and fixtures	\$	47,830	\$ (40,019)	\$ 7,811	\$ 10,814
Leasehold improvements		35,745	(35,745)	-	-
Computer equipment	_	29,922	 (24,920)	5,002	3,564
	\$	113,497	\$ (100,684)	\$ 12,813	\$ 14,378

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### 5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

This account consists of:

		2017	2016
Accrued liabilities	\$	23,788	\$ 53,865
Due to CPA Canada		15,460	26,033
Payroll tax	_	11,654	 9,486
	\$	50,902	\$ 89,384

Accrued liabilities represent expenses incurred in the normal course of the operations of CPA Bermuda.

CPA Bermuda was tasked to collect fees from the member firms for their share in the operational cost of the Board established by CPA Bermuda and Barristers in ensuring compliance with the Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorist Financing Act. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities is presented net of the amounts billed to the member firms.

#### 6. MEMBERSHIP FEES

This account consists of:

		2017		2016
Annual CPA Bermuda membership fees	\$	736,327	\$	646,562
CPA Bermuda non-practitioner members		41,808		38,100
CPA Bermuda corporate fees		7,050		7,300
Annual US CPA Bermuda student membership	_	6,184	_	3,608
	\$	791,369	\$	695,570

The membership period runs from April 1 to March 31 of each year.

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### 7. PROGRAM REVENUES (EXPENSES), NET

CPA Bermuda generates revenues and incurs expenses for various programs and services. The gross revenues and expenses relating to these programs and services are as follows:

	Revenue	Expenses	2017 Net	2016 Net
Professional development Student affairs	\$ 326,918	\$ (357,931) (4,123)	\$ (31,013) (4,123)	\$ 47,554 778
Public awareness	28,550	(43,041)	(14,491)	(29,049)
	\$ 355,468	\$ (405,095)	\$ (49,627)	\$ 19,283

Expenses and net program revenues include the allocation of salaries and office expenses relating to professional development management in the amount of \$119,379 (2016 - \$119,537).

### 8. DONATED SERVICES

Audit fees are recorded at their fair value of \$14,000 (2016 - \$14,000) and are included in operating revenues and expenses at the recorded value for service rendered.

#### 9. COMMITMENT

In 2015, CPA Bermuda entered into a lease for the office space it occupies at a monthly rent of \$4,994 (2016-\$4,994). The lease is for a term of three years from March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2018.

### 10. NET ASSETS

During 2010 CPA Bermuda collected \$26,400 from members in public practice to establish a fund which was restricted to meet future disciplinary expenses. The balance in the fund was fully depleted during the 2016 fiscal year. Disciplinary expenses for the year of \$71,227 were expensed in the Statement of Operations.

#### 11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

CPA Bermuda's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, fixed deposits, accounts receivable, interest receivable and accounts payable accounts payable and accounts payable accounts payabl

#### Fair value

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, fixed deposits, accounts receivable, interest receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

#### Credit and interest rate risk

Financial assets which potentially subject the Institute to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of

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cash and cash equivalents, fixed deposits and accounts receivable. In management's opinion, the risk of loss due to credit risk is not significant as cash and cash equivalents and fixed deposits are placed with high credit quality financial institutions and accounts receivable are presented net of provisions for uncollectible amounts. Changes in interest rate will result in changes in the amount of interest earned on fixed deposits.

#### Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises from the possibility that fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates will affect the value of financial instruments denominated in currencies other than Bermuda dollars. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates will result in gains or losses which are recorded in the statements of operations.

#### Capital management

CPA Bermuda manages its operations to maintain adequate capital to enable it to fulfill its mission and vision objectives which foster public confidence in the accounting profession by acting in the public interest and helping our members excel.

### 12. LONG-TERM RECEIVABLE

A new body, the Chartered Professional Accountants Atlantic School of Business (CPA Atlantic) was formed in December 2013 to administer the new Chartered Professional Accountants programme for students. This body replaced the Atlantic School of Chartered Accountants (ASCA). The accumulated surplus was transferred into the new body from ASCA.

CPA Atlantic determined that start up costs for the organization would be a maximum of \$550,000 and requested a non-interest bearing loan from the Atlantic bodies. Fifty percent of the funds were payable by June 30, 2014, and the amount funded by CPA Bermuda based on prime membership was CDN \$22,172. There have been no further funding requests from CPA Atlantic since this date.

### 14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

CPA Bermuda evaluated events and transactions occurring after March 31, 2017, through to July 26, 2017, for potential recognition or disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

Subsequent to year end, additional disciplinary expenses in the amount of \$66,855 were incurred. It is estimated that a further \$36,000 will be incurred for the year ended March 31, 2018.