

VANESSA BROWN CLAIBORNE, CPA/ABV, ASA, AEP®
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Ms. Claiborne is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Chaffe & Associates, Inc. She is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Accredited in Business Valuations (ABV) by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and has received her designation as an Accredited Senior Appraiser (ASA) by the American Society of Appraisers. She holds Securities Licenses 79, 24, 27, and 63. Ms. Claiborne is also Accredited in Estate Planning (AEP) by the National Association of Estate Planners and Councils.

Ms. Claiborne specializes in business valuation services primarily for estate and gift taxes, Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs), GAAP fair value reporting, financial reporting, corporate planning, business interruption claims, litigation support including expert testimony, exit planning, and shareholder transactions and restructuring.

Professional Affiliations

- Association of International Certified Professional Accountants, Member since 1997
- American Society of Appraisers, Member since 1995
 - International Board of Governors, Governor, 2003 - 2007
 - International Finance Committee, 2003 - 2007
 - International Nominating and Awards Committee, 2008 - 2011
 - New Orleans Chapter, Chapter President, 2000-2002
- Association for Corporate Growth, Louisiana Chapter, Member since 2004
 - Global Board of Directors 2010 - 2012
 - Louisiana Chapter, Program Director, 2004 - 2007, 2021 to present
 - Louisiana Chapter, Awards Dinner Chair, 2013 - 2016
 - Louisiana Chapter, Chapter President, 2008
 - Louisiana Chapter, Board of Directors, since 2005
- Exit Planning Institute, Member 2016 - 2020
- Louisiana Society of Certified Public Accountants, New Orleans, Member since 1993
 - Chapter Chair, Tax Committee, 2000 - 2001
 - Estate & Financial Planning Committee Chair, Present
- National Association of Estate Planners & Councils, Member since 2008
- New Orleans Estate Planning Council, Member since 2008
 - Board of Directors, 2008 - 2016
 - President, 2015
- Tulane Family Business Center
 - Advisory Council, 2006 - 2010
- Turnaround Management Association, Louisiana Chapter
 - Board of Directors, 1998 - 2005

SPECIALTIES

- Corporate Planning
- Employee Stock Ownership Plans
- Exit Planning
- Expert Testimony
- Estate, Gift & Tax Valuations
- Financial Reporting Valuations
- Business Interruption Claims
- GAAP Fair Value Reporting
- Litigation Support
- Shareholder Transactions

ACCREDITATIONS

- Certified Public Accountant (CPA), 1993
- Accredited in Business Valuations (ABV), 2002
- Accredited Senior Appraiser (ASA), 1999
- Accredited Estate Planner (AEP®) 2013 - Series 79, 24, 27, and 63

EDUCATION

- Master of Business Administration, University of Texas
Concentration: Finance
Sord Scholar
- Bachelor of Science
Trinity University
Concentration: Accounting
Presidential Scholar and
Douglas Entrepreneur Award
Winner

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Community Involvement

- Isidore Newman School
Treasurer, 2018 – 2023
Board of Directors, 2014 – 2023
Audit Committee, 2012 – 2016
- New Orleans Mayor's Transition Team
Infrastructure Committee, 2018
- American Red Cross, Southeast Louisiana Region
Board of Directors, 2015 – 2023
Chair, 2017 – 2018
- Bureau of Governmental Research
Board of Directors, 2019 – Present
- NewCorp, Inc.
Board of Directors, 2012 – Present
- Business Council of New Orleans & the River Region, Member since 2005
Executive Council, 2005 – Present
Vice Chair, 2015 - 2022
- Greater New Orleans Foundation
Impact 100, Founding Member
Board of Trustees, 2023 – Present Cornerstone Council, 2008 – 2015
- Agenda for Children
Treasurer, 2023 - Present
Board of Directors, 2021 – Present

Honors and Awards

- 2021 LCPA Women to Watch Experienced Leader Award –October 2021
- Junior Achievement Hall of Fame Honoree – May 6, 2015
- Women of the Year Honoree, CityBusiness – 2003 and 2013

Publications, Past Two Years

- *SPAC Attack: It All Started With Twinkies*, published by Louisiana LCPA Lagniappe Magazine – November 2021

Presentations, Past Two Years

- *Budding Fortunes: A look at the rapidly growing Cannabis industry*, Louisiana Account and Auditing Conference (LAAC) September 7, 2023 – New Orleans, LA
- *ESG and Risk Factors that You Need to Consider in Business Valuation*, AICPA, August 22, 2023 – Webinar
- *ESG Business Valuation through an ESG Lens*, Business Valuation Resources, July 13, 2023 – Webinar
- *Women Investing in Women*, Tulane's Women Investing in Women Panel, May 1, 2023 – New Orleans, LA
- *Silver Lining to the Recession: Estate Planning Opportunities*, AFWA – National Session, April 25, 2023 – Webinar
- *Reflecting on the Impact of ESG Factors in Business Valuation*, ASA, March 23, 2023 – Webinar
- *ESG & Appraisers: What You Should Know*, ASA Nashville Chapter Meeting, February 27, 2023 – Nashville, TN
- *Cannabis Panel*, Association for Corporate Growth, January 10, 2023 – New Orleans, LA
- *ESG: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly*, Society of Louisiana CPAs Winter Cluster, November 17, 2022 – Webinar

Presentations, Past Two Years (continued)

- *Business Valuations 101*, Family Business at Centenary College of Louisiana, November 2, 2022 – Shreveport, LA
- *From Smokables to Gummy Bears: The Business Side of Cannabis*, Women Who Count, AFWA National Conference, October 27th, 2022 – Chicago, IL
- *Reflecting on the Impact of ESG Factors in Business Valuation*, Accounting & Financial Women Who Count, AFWA National Conference, October 27th, 2022 – Chicago, IL
- *ESG: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly*, SECCA, September 22nd, 2022 – New Orleans, LA
- *How to Reflect the Impact of ESG Factors in Business Valuations and Financial Reporting*, ASA International Conference, September 11, 2022 – Tampa, FL
- *Business Valuation 101*, International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Conference, June 17, 2022 – New Orleans, LA
- *A Nation Getting Older: Valuing Senior Citizen Focused Companies*, Business Valuation Resources - April 28, 2022 – New Orleans, LA - Webinar
- *Determining the Value of Your Organization*, CEO Round Table, January 12-13, 2022 – New Orleans and Baton Rouge, LA
- *Valuing Your Business*, YPO, November 18, 2021 – New Orleans, LA
- *How to Grow and Exit Your Practice*, Louisiana CPAs Medical Workshop, October 29, 2021 – Baton Rouge, LA
- *Anatomy of a Deal Gone Bad*, ASA International Conference, October 25, 2021 – Las Vegas, NV
- *How Covid is Affecting the Valuation of a Business*, Women Who Count (Virtual), AFWA National Conference, October 21, 2021 – Webinar
- *From A Pandemic to a Hurricane: The Louisiana Energy Rollercoaster*, Women's Energy Network Learning Lunch – September 29, 2021
- *SPAC Attack*, Louisiana CPAs Accounting and Auditing Workshop, August 20, 2021 – New Orleans, LA

Expert Testimony/ Deposition, Past Two Years

- James Knox v. Sealevel Construction, Inc., 17th Judicial District Court Parish of Lafourche, State of Louisiana No. 143480 Division B, Attorneys: Jan S. Brunet, LLC, Jan S. Brunet, Esq. & Christopher H. Riviere, PLC, Todd. M Magee, Esq. Deposition March 29, 2023.
- Express Lien, Inc. v. Handle, Inc., Et Al, United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana Civil Action Number: 2:19-cv-10156, Attorneys: Ryan E. Johnson, Esq., Jones Walker, LLP, Lauren M. Upton, Esq., Bowie & Jensen, LLC., Deposition April 29, 2021.
- Gregg Frischhertz v. Frischhertz Electric Company, Inc., Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, Division "E" No. 2022-5376. Deposition December 19, 2023.