



GBQ Recognized as IPA Best of the Best Accounting Firm

Columbus, OH, August 24, 2021: GBQ is proud to announce it has earned the recognition of being named an INSIDE Public Accounting (IPA) Best of the Best Firm, designed to honor 50 of the country's highest-performing CPA firms.

The right combination of planning, strategy and execution distinguishes Best of the Best firms from among more than 520 responses received this year for IPA's 31st Annual Survey and Analysis of Firms. The list of top performers within the profession, ranked on more than 50 metrics, were selected exclusively on their performance in specific critical areas of management, growth and long-term sustainability, and strategic vision.

"Given the challenges, obstacles and uncertainties of 2020, being named an IPA Best of the Best firm is an especially notable achievement," says Michael Platt, principal of the Platt Group and publisher of the accounting trade publication, INSIDE Public Accounting. "Combined with the overarching impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic were societal stressors (heightened racial justice awareness and a divisive presidential election), employee stressors (home schooling, remote work and burnout), business stressors (remote onboarding, productivity, engagement and firm culture) and client stressors (shutdowns, cash flow, uncertainty and existential threats for many). Firms that were able to overcome these landmines while turning in stellar performance are to be celebrated."

GBQ Managing Director Darci Congrove shared, "GBQ is pleased to be recognized amongst our peers by IPA. We are proud of our team members and our clients for their focus and resiliency amid the challenges of the last year. Together, we supported one another." Recently, [GBQ ranked #105](#) on the IPA Top 200 list made up of firms ranging in size from \$20 million to \$43 million.

This is GBQ's 10th appearance on the IPA Best of the Best list: 2000-2001, 2004, 2010-2013, 2016, 2020 and 2021. To view the list of firms in its entirety, [click here](#).

About GBQ

At GBQ, our purpose is clear: we [empower growth](#); growth of our people, our communities and our clients' businesses. A top tax, accounting and consulting firm for more than 67 years, we're driven by the outcomes that we know can change the lives of those we work with and for. We've learned that *this* is what matters most to our stakeholders. It is this purpose that drives and inspires us every day. It's why we exist. Visit GBQ online at www.gbq.com, become a fan on [Facebook](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#).

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