

KPMG Makes Leadership Changes



Carol L. Nicholls Senior Partner



Lisa A. Taylor Managing Partner

KPMG in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean announced leadership changes effective October 1, 2017.

Carol Nicholls, the firm's former Managing Partner has assumed the role of Senior Partner, while Lisa Taylor, Head of Advisory, is now the Managing Partner. In making the announcement, Carol stated, "Over the years we have been working on a succession plan and effective October 1, 2017 Lisa Taylor, Head of Advisory, will assume the role of Managing Partner. It has been a pleasure for me to have led the firm in this capacity for the last 13 years. Over that period we achieved significant growth, attracting clients and new partners to the firm. However, the time has come for fresh leadership.

Lisa assumes responsibility for the day-to-day management of the firm and as Senior Partner I will provide ongoing guidance and support to her. Lisa has been a leader within our Advisory Practice for 10 years, over which time she has built a market leading team of advisory professionals in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean. She will bring fresh energy, a strong collaborative style and a new perspective to the role and I am confident that the firm will go on to even greater success under her leadership".

In addition to this change, there are a number of other leadership changes:

• Brenda Pope, Partner Advisory and Wayne Lovell, Partner and Head of Tax, have retired from KPMG effective September 30, 2017.

Carol continued, "Brenda and Wayne have made tremendous contributions to KPMG and to the business community as a whole. Over the years Brenda has successfully led the practice, providing a wide variety of Management Consulting services to many of our local and regional clients. Wayne is a respected tax advisor locally and regionally and has been instrumental in helping the firm to develop a thriving international tax practice. On behalf of the management and staff of KPMG in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean I would like to thank Brenda and Wayne for their contribution and service to our firm and I wish them well as they embark upon their future endeavours."

As part of the orderly succession the following appointments are also noted:

- Louisa Lewis-Ward, Partner Tax is now the Head of Tax, and
- **Melanie Greenidge, Director, People and Change** will assume the role of Head of People and Change within the Management Consulting Practice.
- Lisa Brathwaite, formerly an Audit Director in our Antigua office joined the partnership as an Audit Partner.

Commenting on the new promotions, Lisa said: "We are delighted to announce the promotions. Louisa, Melanie and Lisa bring a wealth of experience, industry knowledge and expertise and their commitment to delivering quality service is apparent in the strength of their client relationships. Succession planning is very important in our business and Louisa, Melanie and Lisa have developed expertise across a range of industry sectors with a deep understanding of the key issues affecting our clients."

Carol noted, "All of our appointments are testimony to the success of the firm since its inception in 1973 and the opportunities that we provide for career advancement."

Lisa added, "We are confident about the future of our firm and with these leadership appointments we have the right people in place to support the future needs of our clients and to continue to drive our business forward".