

## Report on the Firm's System of Quality Control

January 29, 2020

To the Partners of  
Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg, LLP  
and the National Peer Review Committee

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg, LLP (the firm) applicable to engagements not subject to PCAOB permanent inspection in effect for the year ended July 31, 2019. Our peer review was conducted in accordance with the Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews established by the Peer Review Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Standards).

A summary of the nature, objectives, scope, limitations of, and the procedures performed in a System Review as described in the Standards may be found at [www.aicpa.org/prsummary](http://www.aicpa.org/prsummary). The summary also includes an explanation of how engagements identified as not performed or reported in conformity with applicable professional standards, if any, are evaluated by a peer reviewer to determine a peer review rating.

**Firm's Responsibility**

The firm is responsible for designing a system of quality control and complying with it to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. The firm is also responsible for evaluating actions to promptly remediate engagements deemed as not performed or reported in conformity with professional standards, when appropriate, and for remediating weaknesses in its system of quality control, if any.

**Peer Reviewer's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of the system of quality control and the firm's compliance therewith based on our review.

**Required Selections and Considerations**

Engagements selected for review included an engagement performed under Government Auditing Standards, including a compliance audit under the Single Audit Act, audits of employee benefit plans and an audit of a broker-dealer.

As a part of our peer review, we considered reviews by regulatory entities as communicated by the firm, if applicable, in determining the nature and extent of our procedures.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg, LLP applicable to engagements not subject to PCAOB permanent inspection in effect for the year ended July 31, 2019, has been suitably designed and complied with to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. Firms can receive a rating of pass, pass with deficiency(ies) or fail. Lavine, Lofgren, Morris & Engelberg, LLP has received a peer review rating of pass.



June 04, 2020

Sherif Dessouky  
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Dear Sherif Dessouky:

It is my pleasure to notify you that on June 03, 2020, the National Peer Review Committee accepted the report on the most recent System Review of your firm. The due date for your next review is January 31, 2023. This is the date by which all review documents should be completed and submitted to the administering entity. Since your due date falls between January and April, you can arrange to have your review a few months earlier to avoid having a review during tax season.

As you know, the report had a peer review rating of pass. The Committee asked me to convey its congratulations to the firm.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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