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In The News...

SANDI THORMAN SPEAKS AT SURVIVE AND THRIVE

Charlotte, N.C. (February 11, 2010)—Tax expert Sandi Thorman, CPA and partner at Greer & Walker, LLP, Charlotte’s largest locally-owned accounting firm, spoke to local business owners at the Employers Association at Wednesday’s panel discussion entitled “Assembling Your Team: Knowing the Options between Full-time, Part-time, and Contractors.” The event, which was hosted by the Charlotte Chamber as part of its monthly Survive and Thrive Breakfast Series, provided information to small and medium-sized employers on hiring options including the potential advantages or disadvantages of hiring contract staff vs. part-time or full-time employees.

The multi-disciplinary panel, which—in addition to Sandi Thorman—included Bernard Tisdale of Ogletree Deakins, Kendra Dodd of the Employers Association, Barry Pronier of Sherpa LLC, and Lee Ellen Turnbull of Belk Printing Technologies, addressed a wide spectrum of questions moderated by Patricia Golden, President of My Team of Experts. Though many businesses are picking up, questions from the audience reflected that most employers are still cautious about bringing on staff. “The proper classification of individuals or groups working for you can be a key decision in this challenging economic environment,” said Sandi Thorman. “If you are unsure of the classification, the Internal Revenue Service website is a great tool—just search for *worker classification*. Also, talk to your accountant.”



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