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**John L. Abernathy**  
**Kennesaw State University**

**John L. Abernathy** is an Associate Professor of Accounting at Kennesaw State University. He earned his Ph.D in Accounting at the University of Alabama in 2010. His research interests are in the areas of financial reporting quality, auditing and audit quality, corporate governance, and taxation. He has previously served as a member of the Auditing Standards Committee. He has co-authored academic research papers in various peer-reviewed academic journals, including *Auditing: Journal of Practice and Theory*, *Journal of Accounting, Auditing and Finance*, *Journal of Business Finance and Accounting*, *Journal of Information Systems*, and *The Journal of the American Taxation Association*.



**Lisa Milici Gaynor**  
**University of South Florida**

**Lisa Gaynor**, PhD, is an Associate Professor at University of South Florida and holds the Robert Keith Professorship. She holds a BS from University of Florida, an MBA from University of Miami, and a PhD from The University of Texas at Austin. Prior to joining the faculty at University of South Florida, she held faculty positions at Florida State University and Georgetown University. Her major research streams examine, through behavioral approaches, the judgments and decisions of audit committee members, auditors, practitioners, and investors. She has primarily focused on topics related to auditor and audit committee communications, independence, and the accounting and auditing of fair values. She has published articles in *The Accounting Review*, *Accounting Organizations & Society*, *Auditing*, *Accounting Horizons*, *Issues in Accounting Education*, *Accounting and Finance* and *Current Issues in Auditing*. She has served as an editor at *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory* and at *Current Issues in Auditing* and currently sits on the Editorial Board for and *Contemporary Accounting Research*.



**Jacqueline S. Hammersley**  
**The University of Georgia**

**Jackie Hammersley** is a professor and holds the Harold M. Heckman Chair of Public Accounting at The University of Georgia. Her current research focuses on the factors that affect auditor performance when auditing complex estimates. Jackie has published papers in *The Accounting Review*, *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Review of Accounting Studies*, *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, and *Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*. She has received numerous research awards including the American Accounting Association's Deloitte/Wildman Medal and the Competitive Manuscript Award; she has also received the Best Paper Award, the Outstanding Dissertation Advisor Award and the Best Paper with a Ph.D. Student Award, all from the Auditing Section and she has received numerous grants from the Center for Audit Quality. In 2016, she received the Terry College of Business Outstanding Teacher Award.

She is currently the Deputy Senior Editor for *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*. She is a past Editor for both *The Accounting Review* and *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*. She is on the editorial boards of *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, *Behavioral Research in Accounting*, and *Managerial Auditing Journal*. Jackie is a member of the Scientific Review Committee that evaluates proposals for the Access to Audit Personnel Program. Jackie is a past Secretary of the Auditing Section, and she has chaired the Section's Mid-year Meeting and Doctoral Consortium.

Jackie teaches advanced auditing to master's students and a doctoral seminar on experimental research related to auditing. She received her Ph.D. in Accountancy from the University of Illinois.



**D. Scott Showalter**  
**North Carolina State University**

Scott Showalter is a professor of practice and Director of the Master of Accounting Program in the Jenkins Graduate School of Management at the Poole College of Management at North Carolina State University. He received the University Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, the University Outstanding Teacher Award and was inducted into the Academy of Outstanding Teachers. He also received the Poole College of Management Research Growth & Innovation Award, the University Outstanding Extension Service award and was inducted into the Academy of Outstanding Faculty Engaged in Extension. Prior to joining the Poole College of Management, he was an audit partner with KPMG, where he completed a 33-year career in July 2008. Active in the American Accounting Association, including past president of the Auditing Section and current Senior Co-Editor of *Accounting Horizons*. He received AAA Outstanding Service Award, AAA Innovation in Accounting Education Award and Auditing Section Distinguished Service Award. A licensed certified public

accountant in North Carolina and a chartered global management accountant. He is a member of the AICPA Council, a board member of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board, past chair of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, and past chair of the North Carolina Association of CPAs. Showalter has a bachelor's degree in business administration (summa cum laude) from the University of Richmond.