

# Green Hasson Janks

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# Motion Picture and Television Participations Services



# Meet Our Participations Team



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*Ilan has over 20 years of experience* in public accounting and private industry. Ilan leads the Contract Compliance and Forensics Department, which primarily focuses on profit participation reviews. Ilan also oversees the Entertainment and Media Practice of the Firm. Ilan specializes in profit participation and forensic accounting on behalf of talent, investors and co-producers at both the major and mini studios.



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*Steven has over 40 years of entertainment accounting experience.* His specialty involves audits of production and distribution of motion pictures and television programs on behalf of third party profit participants. He also gives expert testimony in entertainment litigation and is a contract negotiator for profit and royalty participants.



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*Peter has over 15 years of entertainment accounting experience* with a focus on profit participation audits for film and television programs. He also consults on entertainment litigations, profit sharing arrangements and settlement negotiations of audit claims. Prior to joining Green Hasson Janks, Peter worked at Sony Pictures Entertainment.



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*Helen has 25 years of experience* mostly in the media and entertainment industry, both private and public. She started her career with EY and has worked at The Weinstein Company and New Line Cinema, as well as auditing studios on behalf of creative talent and investors.



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*Michael has over 10 years of entertainment accounting experience.* He specializes in contractual analysis and royalty auditing with a focus on performing audits of the production and distribution of motion picture and television programs on behalf of investors and third-party participants. Michael has authored several blogs for *GHJ Media Clips* and has also spent significant time overseas, with numerous audits in six different territories.



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*Greg has been with the firm for over nine years* with a focus on contract, compliance and forensics. He also completed the Firm's prestigious leadership program and is also a certified fraud examiner.



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*Tracy has over seven years of entertainment accounting experience* with a focus on audits of the production and distribution of motion picture and television programs as well as royalty audits in video games and licensing industries. Tracy has authored several blogs for GHJ's *Media Clips* blog and has been involved with the Firm's China initiative.

## Your Business is Our Business

Green Hasson Janks is the premiere participation audit firm in Southern California. We perform forensic consulting reviews of motion picture and television producers and distributors to recover money and other valuable benefits while helping enhance relationships with the third party.

Our professionals have extensive career experience with a wide range of global entertainment and media companies including every major Hollywood studio and many smaller studios and independent producers in the US and across the globe. Our dedicated team has extensive participation forensic experience, providing services related to more than 80 of the top 100 grossing films of all time as well as a long list of top rated television series.

Our services include contract negotiation, digital and traditional distribution reviews, expert witness and litigation support, joint venture reviews, most-favored-nation reviews, participation disputes consultation, production reviews, and other royalty and license agreement reviews.

**Below are our studio team leaders that are supported by dedicated seniors and staff.**

Studio	Partner	Field Manager(s)
CBS	Steven Sills	Greg Sills
Disney	Steven Sills	Anita Wu / Helen Leu
Fox	Ilan Haimoff	Michael Sippel / Tracy Liang
HBO	Steven Sills	Peter Klass
Lionsgate	Steven Sills	Peter Klass
MGM	Steven Sills	Greg Sills
Paramount / Dreamworks	Ilan Haimoff	Peter Klass / Michael Sippel
Sony	Ilan Haimoff	Greg Sills / Tracy Liang
Universal / NBC / Focus Features	Ilan Haimoff	Anita Wu / Helen Leu
Warner Bros.	Steven Sills	Sherri Carstens / Michael Sippel

## About Our Entertainment and Media Practice

We focus on helping forward-thinking, entrepreneurial organizations and individuals like you within the entertainment and media industry by providing assurance, tax, participation audit, expert witness and litigation support, and consulting services designed specifically with your needs in mind. Additionally, our dedicated tax team is specifically trained in dealing with complex tax issues for privately held, high-growth entertainment companies. We can work with you to identify tax-planning opportunities that may apply specifically to your business.

Working with Green Hasson Janks gives you access to industry expertise and knowledge and full connectivity to our global network of advisors. Along with expertise from our own International Tax Department, we assist clients by leveraging our world-wide network of independent accounting firms and business advisors located across the United States and in over 100 countries. As our clients become more aggressive players in the global economy, we are able to respond quickly through our HLB International network to help with the success of their ventures.

# Six decades, one overriding focus: *our clients*

Founded in 1953, Green Hasson Janks is an independent accounting and business advisory firm located on the west side of Los Angeles. We believe collaboration and maintaining strong relationships are the cornerstone of our success.

- Awarded the 2018 Employee Champion For Life Work Harmony Award by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce
- Named a “Best Places to Work in Los Angeles” by the *Los Angeles Business Journal* eight times since 2008
- Named “Beyond the Top 100: Firms to Watch” and “Top Firms: West” in the 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 *Accounting Today* Top 100 Firms
- Named a “Best of the Best” firm and “Beyond the IPA 100 Firm” by *Inside Public Accounting*
- Named a “Fastest-Growing” firm twice by *Beyond the IPA 100* rankings
- Ranked 17th largest CPA firm in Los Angeles County
- Ranked 121st largest accounting firm in the nation by *INSIDE Public Accounting*

## Vision

At Green Hasson Janks, we foster a flexible, entrepreneurial environment so our people achieve their personal and professional goals.

Our success is driven by retaining the best, diverse talent. We invest in our people and technology to deepen firm expertise and fuel sustainable growth. We partner with our clients locally and globally to deliver innovative solutions.

WE TRANSFORM VISION INTO REALITY BY SERVING:

- Media companies that capture our imagination
- Food and beverage companies that nourish us
- Businesses that enhance our health and wellness
- Organizations that improve our world

## The GHJ Why

At Green Hasson Janks, we help our people and clients pursue their passions, build thriving businesses, and create a better future.

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