Nebraska's AuditMiner Startup Chosen for National Accounting and ESG Accelerator

Program from the AICPA and CPA.com welcomes Kelly Mann, CPA, and AuditMiner team into portfolio of ten companies

OMAHA (April 12, 2022) – Nebraska-based <u>AuditMiner</u> was recently selected as one of ten early-stage companies to participate in the <u>2022 Startup Accelerator</u>, sponsored by the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) and CPA.com. The annual program is now in its fifth year.

AuditMiner, software that streamlines the employee benefit audit process, is founded by Kelly Mann, CPA. Mann, along with cofounder Jason Bogner, launched the startup in early 2021. Since, the company has celebrated a partnership with Proven Ventures, expanded into more than 25 states and most recently joined AICPA and CPA.com in this accelerator.

The Omaha-based company's solution leverages automation to streamline and standardize audit workpapers and templates, increasing the quality and consistency of Employee Benefit Plan (EBP) audits across a CPA firm.

"We help firms conduct more, more profitable and more accurate EBP audits," shared Mann. "As former auditors ourselves, we have seen firsthand how much potential can be unlocked when CPAs have more time to do more meaningful work."

The AICPA and CPA.com Startup Accelerator supports the growth of early-stage technology companies throughout the accounting and finance ecosystem. It also provides the AICPA and CPA.com more visibility into disruptive trends from emerging technologies that are transforming the accounting profession. Selected companies receive a \$25,000 grant, participate in a six-month curriculum, receive guidance from expert advisors, and have an opportunity to showcase their solutions at AICPA ENGAGE, the profession's largest conference.

"We created this program five years ago as a way to identify emerging trends and drive innovation within the accounting profession," said Erik Asgeirsson, president and CEO of CPA.com. "The Accelerator has been a great success, supporting leading-edge companies to help drive the transformation of accounting services in key areas such as blockchain, assurance, ESG and automation."

"The Startup Accelerator has always been about identifying emerging trends and ESG is a tremendous opportunity for the accounting profession," said Barry Melancon, CPA, CGMA, president and CEO of the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants. "The expansion of this year's program to include a second cohort focused on ESG is reflective of the growing opportunity for CPAs and firms to elevate their role as trusted advisors, as well as the Association's commitment to the space."

For more information about the startup accelerator, please visit cpa.com/accelerator

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