

Background Screening News



A Tribute to Bruce Berg, One of the True Legends of the Background Screening Industry

Happy Anniversary to Berg Consulting Group!

I have a long history with Bruce that precedes my entrée into the background screening industry and my guess is Bruce may not even remember it. As many of you know, prior to starting to work with the background screening industry I founded and managed the National Institute for Prevention of Workplace Violence, Inc. During Bruce's tenure of managing First Advantage his marketing team invited me to do a workshop on workplace violence prevention. Little did either of us know that this would lay the groundwork for the development of a great friendship.

Bruce would go on to emerge as the Godfather of the Background Screening Industry having been so instrumental in the early formation of the industry, a key player in the formation of NAPBS (now known as PBSA) and has provided leadership in so many different ways and touched so many people in the industry.

To help commemorate the celebration the twentieth anniversary of BCG I gathered input from some people in the industry and here is what they had to say:

"I've known Bruce for about as long as I've been in the industry (over 20 years) and have always appreciated his input, encouragement, support, and tenacity when it comes to all things background screening. From operational process, vendor, sales people, and acquisition inquiries to being a personal sounding board on decisions I've considered over the years, Bruce has not only been a business colleague, but a friend (and semi-annual dance partner!).

Congratulations on twenty years, Bruce! May all that you've done to help in our industry return to you a thousand fold.

Kym Kurey, President/CEO, BridgesCTS

"Bruce has been the most amazing source of industry information regarding background screening I could ever imagine. Bruce is always caring, patient, engaging and helpful every time I have a question or scenario to run by him. He fully understands the operations, sales, structure, finances, systems and of course, exit strategies for a background check company. Bruce is so dynamic as he offers additional products for me to sell, better vendors to work with, as well as sales and management consulting. I am so blessed to have Bruce as a mentor and my company is so much more efficient and I am a better business owner because of Bruce. I only wish Bruce would share his fashion secrets with me."

Doug Avdellas, CEO, Atlantic Screening

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Through the years we have worked with Bruce on many levels including his Vendor program that was very successful for us in helping get vendors and keep our costs down. We continue to look to Berg Consulting for help with trouble areas. We have a lot of trust and faith in Bruce and his team.

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“It is a distinct honor to celebrate my good friend Bruce Berg and his 20 year+ contribution to the background screening industry. Bruce has been a longtime industry colleague, confidant and friend. He has been visible and beloved by so many in our industry for as long as I can remember. He has an uncanny way of being in the know – which underscores that many in the screening industry trust him and seek his astute viewpoints. I eagerly look for his report after each conference (and if I'm being honest, look forward to watching him tear up the dance floor AT the conferences). The screening industry has been lucky to have such a man of experience, quick wit and iron clad integrity fulfilling a role as consultant. I am grateful for his friendship and for the significant contribution he's made to the screening industry. Congratulations and thank you, Bruce!”

Dawn Standerwick, VP Strategic Growth

“Congratulations to Bruce from one old-timer to another. I have very much enjoyed our relationship over the years. Bruce is the person to ask about sales of businesses within our industry. He has valuable expertise within the matrix of experts in our hyper technical business Thanks to PBSA for bringing all of us together so we can all help each other. Thank you Bruce for making me more knowledgeable.”

Larry D. Henry. Of counsel at Rhodes Hieronymus

We love you Bruce and we wish you continued success into the future.



P.S. Don't you love this logo. Real classy!