

Influential Women Profiles Portia Blanchette, MBA, for Her Impactful Leadership in Accounting

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Influential Women, in its 2025 series, proudly features Portia Blanchette, MBA, a seasoned accounting leader who currently serves as Manager of Accounting at a law firm. With more than 11 years of progressive experience, Portia has established herself as a trusted expert in financial operations, compliance, and strategic process improvements. Her career reflects a proven ability to develop, build, and oversee accounting systems for complex organizations, including a \$100 million social services enterprise.



Portia's expertise spans financial accounting, grant compliance, and the Davis Bacon Act, along with preparing and filing Federal Financial Reports with precision. In her current role, she leverages this extensive background to streamline accounting functions, enhance efficiency, and ensure sound fiscal management. Her leadership demonstrates not only technical expertise but also a commitment to advancing organizational growth and stability.

Before joining her current firm in 2020, Portia dedicated more than a decade to Pioneer Human Services, a nonprofit organization, where she held multiple leadership roles, including Senior Accountant and Accounting Manager. From 2008 to 2020, she guided teams through day-to-day accounting operations, automated billing processes, and implemented integrated revenue cycles to improve collection rates. She authored grant policies to ensure compliance with federal

regulations, consistently achieving unmodified audit opinions. Additionally, she played a key role in revenue expansion initiatives, streamlined workflows, and spearheaded career development programs to strengthen her team.

Her academic achievements further support her professional expertise. Portia earned a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Accounting from Keller Graduate School of Management of DeVry University and a Bachelor of Science (BS) in Accounting from Central Washington University. This strong educational foundation, paired with her extensive career experience, has equipped her to mentor accounting teams, drive process improvements, and elevate fiscal performance across both nonprofit and corporate sectors.

Throughout her career, Portia has been recognized for her ability to manage complex grants, maintain compliance, and implement innovative financial solutions across multiple divisions. She has consistently combined technical accounting knowledge with people-focused leadership, fostering high-performing teams that deliver results. Her ability to balance compliance with innovation sets her apart as a leader in the field.

Portia attributes much of her success to her genuine desire to help others. Motivated by the opportunity to make a positive impact, she has built a career dedicated not just to financial excellence but also to supporting the people and communities she serves.

The best career advice Portia ever received was to “stay on top of your specialty.” By continuously learning, improving, and staying current in her field, she has been able to remain effective, confident, and resilient in her professional contributions. To young women entering the accounting industry, she encourages lifelong learning: “Take courses, broaden your knowledge, and embrace opportunities to grow both professionally and personally.”

Portia deeply values helping others succeed, building strong relationships, and expanding her own knowledge. These principles shape her approach to challenges and define her interactions with colleagues. Outside of her professional responsibilities, she is passionate about mentoring, developing others, and applying her expertise to create positive change in both nonprofit and corporate organizations.

Beyond her career, Portia treasures time with family, enjoys reading, and stays active through walking. These pursuits provide balance, grounding, and energy, allowing her to thrive both personally and professionally.

With her unwavering dedication, Portia Blanchette continues to demonstrate the transformative impact of leadership rooted in knowledge, compassion, and service.

Learn More about Portia Blanchette:

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