

Influential Women Spotlights: Angela D. Sharpe, Finance Executive and ERP Consulting Leader Driving Ethical Change

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Delivering Five Decades of Leadership in Accounting, Technology Integration, and Organizational Integrity Across Public and Private Sectors

Ridgefield, Washington — Angela D. Sharpe is a seasoned finance and systems expert whose career spans more than five decades, defined by resilience, innovation, and leadership across both public and private sectors. After earning her Degree in Business Administration with a major in Accounting, she began her professional journey with a Fortune 10 corporation, working in the office of the chairman during a pivotal era when organizations were transitioning from punch cards to personal computers.



From the outset of her career, Angela embraced change rather than resisting it. As businesses evolved, she developed deep expertise in software configuration and systems design alongside her accounting foundation. This dual competency allowed her to steadily advance through increasingly senior roles, including Controller, Director of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer. Over time, her rare combination of financial acumen and technical insight positioned her as a trusted leader across industries and more than 20 enterprise software platforms, particularly during periods of large-scale organizational transformation.

Recognizing that system implementation and process improvement were central to every leadership role she held, Angela eventually transitioned into consulting. Today, she serves as an ERP Project Subject Matter Expert and fractional CFO, guiding organizations through complex

system conversions, mergers, acquisitions, and enterprise-wide operational redesigns. Her work spans both private companies and public sector institutions, where she is frequently called upon to stabilize financial systems, improve data integrity, and align operational processes with regulatory requirements.

Angela's career has been defined not only by technical excellence but also by an unwavering ethical foundation. Early in her professional journey, she made a defining decision: she would never compromise her integrity, regardless of financial or organizational pressure. That principle ultimately shaped her transition into consulting, allowing her to align her expertise with her values. As a trailblazer in an era when women were significantly underrepresented in accounting, finance, and enterprise technology, Angela not only advanced her own career but also helped open doors for others who followed.

Reflecting on her early career, Angela credits mentorship as a defining factor in her success. She recalls that throughout her journey, she was often supported by one or two individuals within organizations who recognized her potential and actively guided her development. These mentors encouraged her to take on additional responsibilities, exposing her to challenges that accelerated her learning. She consistently worked above her formal role, often collaborating with senior leaders and being "pulled up" into higher levels of responsibility due to her analytical strength and ability to deliver meaningful insights to decision-makers.

She emphasizes that her progression was not always a matter of deliberate ambition, but rather a natural result of competence being recognized and nurtured. Each opportunity built upon the last, allowing her to grow from foundational accounting roles into executive leadership and, eventually, strategic consulting at the enterprise level.

One of the most important lessons Angela carried throughout her career is the importance of precision and verification. Her best career advice, she explains, was simple but powerful: always double-check. Every analysis, report, or system decision must be revisited with a critical lens to ensure accuracy, completeness, and alignment with the best possible outcome. She emphasizes that professionals must avoid assumptions and instead engage deeply in critical evaluation, ensuring they have considered all possible alternatives before finalizing decisions.

For Angela, this disciplined approach to verification is not just a technical practice but a professional philosophy—one that ensures accountability, reduces risk, and strengthens organizational trust.

Her guidance to young women entering the finance and technology sectors reflects this same commitment to excellence. She encourages them to become true subject matter experts, continuously learning and expanding their knowledge base. According to Angela, confidence is not something external—it is built internally through mastery of one's field. When individuals fully understand their discipline, they become unshakable in their competence and capable of navigating challenges with clarity and assurance.

She also encourages women to embrace confidence without hesitation or apology. Throughout her own career, she learned to take control of professional conversations, including interviews, by directly and confidently articulating her qualifications. Rather than waiting passively for validation, she challenged employers to recognize her capability and make decisions accordingly. This assertiveness, she notes, is essential for advancement in any competitive field.

Despite her achievements, Angela's career has not been without challenges. One of the most significant obstacles she encountered involved ethical conflicts within corporate environments, particularly situations where she was asked to alter financial reporting or compromise established standards. These experiences ultimately reinforced her commitment to integrity and led her to pursue independent consulting, where she could maintain full alignment with her values.

In her consulting work, Angela continues to address complex compliance and regulatory issues, often identifying systemic problems that require organizational restructuring, retraining, or process redesign. She has also served as a forensic auditor in government-related environments, where she was responsible for delivering highly sensitive findings to boards of directors and accounting firms. In these roles, she consistently prioritized transparency and public accountability, especially when financial misstatements or compliance risks could have broader societal impact.

Angela believes strongly that withholding truth in financial systems can cause real harm, not only to organizations but also to employees, stakeholders, and the public. As a result, she ensures that all assessments she produces are thoroughly documented and clearly communicated to decision-makers so that appropriate corrective actions can be taken.

At the core of Angela's professional and personal philosophy is authenticity. She prioritizes working in environments where truth is valued, ethical standards are upheld, and decisions are made in the best interest of both organizations and communities. She is also deeply committed to mentorship, viewing it as both a responsibility and a legacy. Throughout her career, she has shared her knowledge with the next generation, helping others avoid common pitfalls and accelerate their professional growth.

She also uses her platform to educate and inform broader audiences. Through her weekly podcast, *A Sharpe Outlook*, Angela explores topics related to finance, leadership, ethics, and professional development, drawing on her decades of experience. Her background in radio broadcasting enhances her ability to communicate complex ideas in an accessible and engaging way, extending her impact beyond traditional consulting work.

Outside of her professional life, Angela is a devoted mother of two, grandmother of six, and great-grandmother of two. Family remains one of her greatest sources of purpose and fulfillment. She also finds peace and inspiration in nature, often spending time walking through

the woods, listening to ocean waves, hiking, or tending to her garden.

As she reflects on her journey, Angela D. Sharpe's legacy is defined not only by technical mastery and executive leadership but by an enduring commitment to integrity, mentorship, and truth. Her work continues to shape the future of finance and systems transformation while empowering the next generation to lead with confidence, competence, and uncompromising ethical standards.

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