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Clarity before consequential decisions.

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27 yrs

ADVISING BOARDS
ACROSS THE AMERICAS

14

LATIN AMERICAN
MARKETS LED

40+

CROSS-BORDER
PROFESSIONALS DIRECTED

\$3B+

FORTUNE 1000
CLIENT REVENUE SCALE

SUMMARY

Twenty seven years advising boards across the Americas.

Independent practice. Formerly Principal, international advisory practice. Bilingual English and Spanish. Based in Miami.

Global risk management executive with twenty seven years advising boards and executive teams on enterprise risk, internal audit, and governance across North and Latin America—formerly Principal at an international advisory firm, leading cross border teams across fourteen Latin American markets. Today in independent practice, advising senior leaders on the decisions that matter most, in plain language, early enough to matter: enterprise risk, internal audit, SOX, IT and cyber risk, AI governance, and board advisory for multinationals preparing for an IPO, scaling into new markets, or rebuilding a risk function that has drifted from what the business now requires.

EXPERIENCE

Boards, audit committees, and C-suites across the Americas.

Three chapters, one through-line: risk insight connected to the business decision at hand.

Global Risk Management Executive

February 2026 — Present

Independent practice

Miami, Florida

Advise boards, audit committees, and C-suites on the risks that shape business outcomes. Focus on enterprise risk, internal audit, SOX, IT and cyber risk, and AI governance, across multinationals and Fortune 1000 clients in the Americas.

- Advisory engagements on risk, audit, and control program reviews, spanning program design, rebuilds, scaling, and stress tests and board and executive advisory on consequential decisions..

Grant Thornton Advisors LLC

October 2005 — January 2026

Principal, Florida Risk Services Leader

Miami, Florida

Led the firm's risk advisory practice for multinational clients across Florida. Partnered with boards and C-suites to connect risk intelligence to governance, strategy, and organizational resilience.

- Delivered double digit year over year growth across the advisory practice over two decades, expanding service lines in ERM, SOX, IT risk, and internal audit.
- Directed cross border teams of more than forty professionals across fourteen Latin American markets, delivering scalable governance, risk, and compliance programs.
- Led SOX readiness and control optimization for Fortune 1000 clients with revenues exceeding \$3B, reducing compliance costs by up to twenty five percent.
- Advised boards and audit committees on enterprise risk frameworks and internal audit capabilities, expanding assurance coverage and reducing control deficiencies by thirty percent.

Executive Sponsor, Mi Gente ERG · April 2020 — January 2026

- Led firmwide efforts to recruit, retain, and advance Latino professionals, partnering with leadership, HR, and DEI to build strategies that strengthened team performance and client relationships.
- Mentored and sponsored high potential Latino professionals, and advocated for inclusive leadership and equitable promotion practices across the firm.

EXPERIENCE, CONTINUED

Early career.

Multi jurisdictional work across more than ten Latin American markets.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

June 1998 — September 2005

Advisory Services Manager

Miami, Florida

Led internal audit, IT audit, and risk advisory engagements across more than ten Latin American markets for multinational clients in telecom, manufacturing, and financial services.

- Managed teams of ten to twenty professionals delivering risk assessments, internal control reviews, and IT governance evaluations across multi jurisdictional operations.
- Developed and delivered executive reporting for audit committees, translating risk findings into clear insights and actionable recommendations.

PRACTICE

Domains, industries, languages.

Delivered across North and Latin America, in either language.

DOMAINS

Enterprise risk · Internal audit · SOX and controls · IT and cyber risk · AI governance · Third party risk · Board advisory

INDUSTRIES

Financial services · Technology · Healthcare · Manufacturing · Telecom · Retail

LANGUAGES

English, native · Spanish, native

Keynotes and advisory delivered in either language.

SELECTED SPEAKING & PUBLICATIONS

Risk as a leadership discipline.

Full list available on request. Signature talks on AI governance and internal audit readiness.

The Audit Podcast

2025

Three lines of defense: the misconceptions that keep costing boards. Guest appearance on the state of the three lines model.

Published Commentary

2024

Upgrade your cybersecurity to cyber resilience. Co-authored guidance for CIOs, CISOs, and audit committees.

Published Commentary

2023

Risk management: get your three lines in order. Co-authored framework for executive teams inheriting a drifted risk function.

IIA Mexico International Conference

2015

Adding Value to an Organization Through Internal Audit. Keynote on internal audit as a leadership function.

Santiago de Chile

2011

Implementing Sarbanes Oxley and Internal Controls for a Multinational.

EDUCATION, CERTIFICATIONS & COMMUNITY

Grounding and affiliations.

Computer science foundation, decades of field practice, active in professional bodies.

B.S., Computer Science

Florida State University · 1998 · Math Minor

Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)

ISACA

Enterprise Decision-Making Program

Kellogg Executive Education

MEMBERSHIPS

- Institute of Internal Auditors, active in US and Latin American chapters.
- ALPFA, Association of Latino Professionals for America.
- Latino Leadership Roundtable, executive sponsor for the advancement of Latino professionals in professional services.

Available for board advisory, risk program reviews, and keynote engagements. Delivered in English or Spanish, across North and Latin America.

