Hilda S. Renteria, CPA

Secretary/Treasurer, Attest Services Partner

Hilda S. Renteria emigrated from Mexico to the United States with her family at the age of sixteen. The oldest of seven children, she was the first in her family to pursue a college education becoming an inspiration for her siblings and others close to her to pursue a higher education. Hilda holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC). She is a Licensed Certified Public Accountant in Illinois, California and Minnesota. Her professional career started at the First National Bank of Chicago's (now JP Morgan Chase) Internal Audit Department.

Over thirty years ago, Hilda was inspired by her business partner, Maria de J. Prado, to embrace an opportunity in establishing a Hispanic-women owned CPA firm. Not having prior experience in building a business and trusting Maria's vision, Hilda joined and Prado & Renteria CPAs, Prof. Corp. became a reality. Hilda brought her persistence, perseverance, and commitment to build the now largest Hispanic-women owned CPA firm in Illinois. Prado & Renteria has since built a track record of high quality and professional services.

As the Attest Services partner, Hilda oversees the firm's governmental and nonprofit industry groups which serve entities like the City of Chicago, Cook County and the ACLU of Illinois Inc., to name a few.

At Prado & Renteria, Hilda supports her team by encouraging and facilitating empowerment in alignment with the firm's vision: "Being a catalyst for organizations and individuals to fulfill their purpose". Hilda also supports nonprofit entities in her spare time guided by the same vision. Ten years ago, Hilda co-founded the Prado & Renteria Foundation which supports indigenous communities across different countries, first generation college students in pursuit of professional opportunities, and people of all ages looking to exercise their leadership skills and transform their approach to life experiences.

Hilda is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), Illinois CPA Society, and Institute of Internal Auditors. In addition, she participated as part of the Illinois Public Accountant Licensure and Registration Committee from 2011 to 2019 and is currently part of the Illinois CPA Society Government Report Review Committee.