



Katherine Findlay

Katherine Findlay serves Southwest Airlines (SWA) as its Vice President, Internal Audit.

The SWA Internal Audit Department champions compliance and offers practical solutions to improve business operations and assist in corporate governance. She has received the “Leading by Example” and “Winning Spirit” awards at Southwest Airlines.

Prior to joining SWA in 1993, she was a financial auditor at Ernst & Young where SWA was one of her most valued Clients. Katherine began her career at SWA in the Internal Audit group before moving into the Technical Operations organization as Director of Maintenance Finance & Budgets. Over the past 23+ years, Katherine has led both financial and operational groups; and she returned to Internal Audit in 2010.

Katherine is an advocate for the Internal Audit profession, and continues to host students and visitors as they explore potential careers. She serves as a member of the Board of Governors for the Institute of Internal Audit, and as a member of the Advisory Boards for the Internal Audit programs at both The University of Texas at Dallas and The University of Texas (Austin). Katherine is married to Troy; they are parents to Noah(13) and Cole(11). In her free time, she enjoys attending sporting events, reading, boating, traveling, and just relaxing.

Katherine graduated with honors from Texas Tech University in 1990 earning a B.B.A. in Accounting. She is a Certified Public Accountant.