

Sandra McCall, CPA

My name is Sandra McCall. I majored in Accounting from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, home of the Razorbacks. I began my accounting career as a staff accountant with Halliburton Services in the Reports section. We were responsible for reconciling major general ledger accounts and publishing financial statements monthly, quarterly, and annually.

In 1979, there were no personal computers; we used columnar tablets and large calculators to develop the reports. Using ten-key by touch was a salable skill in 1979.

In 1984, I was hired as a Revenue Agent with the Internal Revenue Service. I was assigned to the Employee Plans/Exempt Organization Division. I reviewed pension and profit-sharing plans to make sure they complied with the Internal Revenue Code and examined trust funds for compliance to tax laws. In 1988, I transferred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, first as a systems accountant, then as an auditor. I was responsible for reviewing state government agencies that received Federal funds to administer their agriculture grants and programs to make sure they were using Federal funds according to law. The Senior Auditor position required 70% travel all over the country, so I was gone from home a lot. I retired after 30 years of Federal service.

During my career, I obtained my Master's in Business Administration and became a Certified Public Accountant. I currently have a small CPA practice here in Dallas, TX.