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Saturday, February 22, 2025  
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## DISTINGUISHED GUEST SPEAKER

**Elisa Calderon-Sierra**

Senior Paralegal, CFE

President

Houston Metropolitan  
Paralegal Association

(Board Member since 2006)

Elisa Calderon-Sierra is a Senior Paralegal specializing in Ethics and Compliance at a major drilling company. She manages all aspects of diligence and the FCPA compliance program.

Elisa collaborates with the company's business and operations teams to ensure third-party partners, vendors, and agents comply with relevant laws, regulations, and company policies. She also participates in audits, training, and company-wide FCPA-related issues.

Born in Ecuador and raised in New York City, Elisa holds an Associate Degree in Paralegal Studies and a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. Recently, she successfully passed the fraud examiner's exam and has been officially designated as a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE).

Elisa's legal career began at a criminal law firm, progressing from intern to senior paralegal. Her caseload later evolved to include transactional, and representation of a large school district. Elisa has over 28 years of legal experience, with a comprehensive background in ethics, compliance, investigations, litigation, and transactional matters.

Elisa is a strong advocate for the paralegal profession and actively participates in local mentoring and training programs. Since 2006, she has served on the Board of Directors of the largest local paralegal association in Texas, the Houston Metropolitan Paralegal Association (HMPA). She is also an active member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and the Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics.

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