



## **Lea D. Knight, CPA, MBA**

Lea Knight is a Vice President for North America Global Services, Finance at Johnson & Johnson. She has over 21 years of experience in the finance and accounting profession and has been instrumental in using her technical expertise and partnering with organizations to make strategic decisions, build financial processes and develop talent.

Lea began her career in public accounting at Arthur Andersen LLP where she managed very large, technically complex audit engagements. Lea's technical expertise in Software accounting was broadly recognized within the firm. She also helped expand the Firm's healthcare consulting practice and was the lead manager during the creation of the Mergers and Acquisitions practice.

Lea joined Johnson & Johnson in 2004 and since that time she has worked in 5 operating companies in the Global Services, Consumer, Pharmaceutical and Corporate sectors. During her time at J&J, Lea has worked with many different functions to streamline processes, create value-generating opportunities and challenge the status-quo to help the business better live into its Vision. She is a sponsor for the Finance African-American Leadership Council as well as the Financial Controllers Council.

Lea is also committed to the development of talent within the J&J Finance organization. She has built a brand creating strong, inclusive and collaborative teams that deliver results.

Lea is the Vice Chair of the Board of Directors for the Public Interest Law Center. She has an undergraduate degree in Accounting from the University of Virginia, a MBA in Finance and Strategic Management from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania and is a CPA.

Lea, her husband, Claude, and sons, Collin and Mason, enjoy playing card games, watching Family Feud and traveling. She also has an avid interest in learning about wines.