

Marina Milton - Candidate for the Sr. Vice-President for Operations

For a stronger FAPAC & a better organization, vote for “Marina Milton for Sr. Vice-President for Operations” -- a most dedicated volunteer



I believe my integrity and experiences both professionally and personally will be invaluable to the integral operations within FAPAC. If elected I will uphold FAPAC Constitution and Bylaws; support the President to lead FAPAC in becoming a National Organization with strong Chapters & an Executive Board; to increase visibility of FAPAC in APA communities, government agencies, as well as other charitable organizations; assist in increasing FAPAC membership base; oversee & improve FAPAC's operations; provide support to VP of Committees and, committee chairs in completing standard procedures and projects; provide guidance to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to complete the revamp of Bylaws for Officers and Committee Chairs; improve communications amongst officers, EB members, and members at large; and finally, bring new ideas and a new face lift to the 2011 Conference.

The following is my brief biography:

- **Academic Background** – I am a Certified Public Accountant, with a BS degree in Accounting and post graduate classes in advance international taxation, advance editing and technical writing, communications, negotiation skills, Chinese & Japanese languages and completed the leadership training provided by the IRS.
- **Professional Experiences** - I have been with the IRS for 25 years. I was recently selected as the international team manager for the Large & Mid-Size Business Division. Prior to this position, I was a Sr. analyst at the Office of Tax Treaty Administration since 2000. I represented the U. S. Government in conducting negotiations with foreign governments on tax treaty matters. I assisted U.S. taxpayers in resolving tax disputes with foreign tax authorities and provide interpretation of the Income Tax Treaties.

Prior to that, I served as an Agent, specializing in international taxation. I was an instructor for domestic and international tax law and the lead On-the-Job Training Instructor. I've also led programs involving high political protocol where I oversaw the training classes for foreign government officials and the U. S. hosted meetings for the Commissioners of foreign countries.

- **Achievements:** - I've chaired FAPAC's 2009 Program Committee and currently chair a Special Education Committee partnering with the Graduate School where I developed programs and education curriculum. I also served as team lead in various and essential functions at past conferences (such as program book, workshops) and served as a judge for the Awards Team and assisted in the special events committee. I assisted in the design of the FAPAC folder for the use in membership outreach & promotion purposes.

For the 2008 conference, I was the liaison between ASPIRE/IRS & FAPAC, developed and coordinated over ¼ of the total workshops and plenary sessions and the Steering Committee Chair for the ASPIRE/IRS to assist conference committee and saved FAPAC over \$20,000 of expenses for that conference. I provided directions and promoted team work and harmony while leading the team in working transparently with FAPAC's Conference Committee.

I was active in leading volunteer works; such as headed a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance site to assist senior citizens and low income individuals filing tax returns; served as the Treasurer for a Toastmaster club; and held various national offices of other Asian Pacific Organizations and was recently elected as the President of ASPIRE. I've also chaired conferences hosted by other Asian Pacific Organizations and high political protocol technical conferences on behalf of the U.S. Government. I have received numerous awards from my Agency for my achievements and awards from FAPAC former presidents for my contributions & leadership to FAPAC.

In summary, I am confident that my background, experience, leadership qualities, and my negotiation & coordination skills would benefit the position of Sr. Vice-President for Operations for the FAPAC.