## Punongbayan & Araullo An instinct for growth

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# **Philippines**



Ma. Victoria C. Españo Chairperson and CEO

"Beyond technical proficiency and bottom-line figuring, we do our best to engender among our people a deeply moral dimension, that accounting and auditing have something vital to do with improving society, with ensuring the rule of honesty and integrity.

During our regular training courses, and through the various community outreach programs organised by staff with full support from the firm, we keep alive the motivation to achieve high standards in the fulfilment of our corporate social responsibility."

#### Ma. Victoria C. Españo

#### Who we are

Punongbayan & Araullo, Grant Thornton Philippines, is a leading professional services firm with a proven track record of high-quality work. We provide value-added services through our client-caring team of outstanding audit, tax and business professionals who use leading-edge systems and technology and are guided by the highest standards of quality, integrity and competence.

#### Where we are

We have one office in Manila at the Enterprise Center, where our audit, advisory and tax divisions are headquartered, along with our subsidiary P&A Grant Thornton Outsourcing, Inc. We also have offices in Cavite, Cebu (in the Visayas) and Davao (in Mindanao).

#### How we work

On every engagement, we are guided by this principle: to tailor our services to the needs of the client. To achieve this objective we obtain a thorough understanding of the client's business; we put together a team of highly-qualified people; and we use the latest technology, techniques, and procedures.

Ingrained in our culture is responsiveness in the delivery of our services. To support this commitment to clients, we allocate substantial resources to the recruitment, training and retention of outstanding professionals, and to the continuing upgrade of our management systems and technological tools.

#### **Why Grant Thornton**

- We are responsive and dedicated to high-quality service.
- You are assured that your needs are being handled by experienced and highly-competent professionals.
- We have state-of-the-art resources to back up our personnel.
- We use effective methodologies and quality control procedures.
- We pride ourselves in our strict adherence to ethical standards.



#### **Our clients**

P&A works with privately and publicly held companies from a broad range of industries, including the banking, real estate and BPO sectors. The Firm counts as its clients the country's largest bank, a leading construction firm, and some of the biggest BPO companies, among others.

#### Awards we've won

Client Focused Accountancy Firm of the Year, at the M&A Awards given by Acquisition International Magazine.

#### What we do

We provide the following range of services:

#### Assurance

- annual audit
- assistance in applying with SEC for an increase in authorised capital stock
- due diligence and acquisition audit
- review engagement
- SEC reporting and compliance
- special audit using agreed-upon procedures
- technical advice and training
- translation of financial statements into Japanese language

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- application for tax refund/credit
- assistance during tax audit/contesting an assessment
- assistance for incentives availment
- corporate organisation and registration
- corporate restructuring
- CTA litigation support
- customs compliance review
- dissolution
- estate/wealth planning
- expatriate tax services
- local tax registration, assessment and refund
- request for tax rulings
- retainer services as tax advisor
- tax advocacy
- tax opinion and studies
- tax planning and transfer pricing
- tax review and outsourcing
- tax seminars and training.

#### **Advisory services**

Business risk services Transaction advisory services Valuations Corporate finance

#### Other services

#### Outsourcing

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- accounting and payroll
  - secondment
- bank reconciliation
- accounts reconstruction
- data cleansing and reconciliation of receivables, payables and other real and nominal account balances
- inventory and fixed assets counts, summarisation and reconstruction
- offshoring

#### Technology risk management services

#### Organisational & regulatory risk services

- assurance
- enterprise risk management
- governance advisory.

#### **Operational risk services**

- fraud and forensic
- internal audit
- operational improvement.

#### Technology risk management services

#### Capability-enhancement trainings and seminars.

#### **Our global organisation**

Grant Thornton is one of the world's leading organisations of independent assurance, tax and advisory firms. These firms help dynamic organisations unlock their potential for growth by providing meaningful, actionable advice. Proactive teams, led by approachable partners in these firms, use insights, experience and instinct to understand complex issues for privately owned, publicly listed and public sector clients and help them to find solutions. More than 40,000 Grant Thornton people, across over 130 countries, are focused on making a difference to clients, colleagues and the communities in which we live and work.

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