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Mary A.M. Roder is Chief Financial Officer for Heights Venture Architects, LLP. Mary has been employed at HVA since August 2001. She has over 25 years of experience in project and financial management. Mary possesses a Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering and a Masters in Business Administration – Accounting concentration – both degrees from the University of Houston. Mary was instrumental in HVA's software conversion to Deltek Advantage in 2001 and serves as HVA's Deltek Advantage administrator and specialist. Mary also developed the cash management, budgeting, forecasting and financial analysis functions and tools used in the financial management of the firm.

Mary joined the Society for Design Administration in October 2002. Mary has served on the local SDA Houston Board since 2004 as Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President/President Elect and is currently SDA Houston's 2008 President. Mary has also served on the National Minutes Committee in 2005 and has supported the National Awards Committee in 2005 and 2006. Mary also chaired the SDA Houston Construction Committee in 2005 and 2006, served as Co-Chair in 2007 and currently serves as the ExOfficio Member of the SDA Houston Construction Committee to the SDA Houston Board.

"Through out my life and career, I have always felt it important for me to reach for new challenges – strive to learn something new each and every day! SDA has truly enhanced my personal life and career, allowing me the opportunity to network with and learn from may SDA professionals as well as reach beyond my comfort zones and continue to accept new challenges. HVA's Principals truly respect SDA as a valuable resource for the firm, its staff and the A/E/C industry."