



Vijaya Raghunathan

Technology Executive

SVP, Head of Enterprise Risk and Audit Technology

Truist Financial (Fortune #168, \$18B revenue, Top 10)

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Executive Summary

Vijaya Raghunathan is a senior technology and risk executive with over 25 years of experience leading enterprise transformation, governance, and technology modernization within highly regulated financial institutions. As Senior Vice President and Head of Enterprise Risk and Audit Technology at Truist Financial, she leads global teams supporting the Chief Risk Officer and Chief Audit Officer organizations, operating at the intersection of technology, cybersecurity, governance, regulatory oversight, and enterprise transformation.

She is recognized for driving large-scale modernization initiatives, leading through complexity, and balancing innovation with operational resilience and risk management. Her expertise spans digital transformation, merger integration, enterprise platforms, global delivery, and regulatory engagement, giving her a practical and forward-looking perspective increasingly valuable in today's boardrooms.

Professional Achievements

- **Enterprise Transformation:** Leads a \$35M+ global technology portfolio supporting Risk and Audit organizations across 40+ applications and enterprise platforms.
- **Digital Modernization:** Led the transformation of the mortgage client experience from a fragmented vendor platform to the bank's integrated online banking ecosystem, contributing to a J.D. Power customer satisfaction ranking improvement from #10 to #4 nationally.
- **M&A Leadership:** Played a key leadership role in the merger integration of SunTrust and BB&T mortgage servicing systems and operations.

- **Risk & Governance Expertise:** Extensive experience communicating technology risk, cybersecurity, regulatory findings, operational resilience, and transformation strategy to executive leadership, governance stakeholders, auditors, and regulators.
- **Strategic Leadership:** Known for balancing innovation with practicality—focusing organizations on scalable, business-aligned solutions rather than unnecessary process or technology complexity.

Board & Governance Experience

Vijaya currently serves on the boards of YMCA, Higher Achievement, AI Ready RVA and RVATech, contributing to governance, strategy, leadership development, and community impact initiatives. She serves in leadership roles including committee chair responsibilities (Awards and Conferences) and nominating/governance initiatives. Her board experience has strengthened her expertise in executive succession discussions, stakeholder engagement, and long-term strategic planning.

She also previously served on a technology advisory board within the mortgage industry and brings a strong understanding of cybersecurity governance and risk oversight through her leadership experience.

Recognition & Leadership

- Software Engineering Leader of the Year – WomenTech
- Community Impact Award – WomenTech
- EmpowHER Award – RVATech

Vijaya is also an advocate for leadership development and advancing women in technology. She leads Women in Tech at Truist. Having built her career as an immigrant without visible role models who shared her background, she is passionate about mentoring and creating opportunities for future women leaders.