



A&A MAINTENANCE

Armando Rodriguez, Jr.

Armando Rodriguez Jr. came to this country from Cuba in 1967; he began his education at St. Johns School in White Plains. Following the completion of his schooling there, he attended Archbishop Stepinac High School and graduated in 1981. In June of 1986, he graduated from Iona College with a Bachelor of Business Administration. By briefly attending the University of Texas, Armando furthered his education by studying Elementary petroleum exploration and most recently completed the NMSDC Advance Management Education Program at The Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. With an interest in the family business and a vision to contribute to be the best in the business, at 12 years old, Armando began his affiliation by assisting his father in areas of maintenance and the delivery of dependable service. By doing so, Armando had officially become a part of the business his father founded in the year 1973.

A&A Maintenance became incorporated in 1983. After this, Corporate Headquarters became established in 1987 and a branch office in Miami, Florida became open in 1994. During his time with the company, Armando has gained the respect of many clients and has received several awards of recognition, merit and excellence including a special award from the city of New York Business Improvement District. The Westchester Hispanic Republican Committee honored him with the Entrepreneur of the year award for 2001 and Hispanic Magazine's 2002 Entrepreneur Business man of the year. In 2003 The Pepsi Cola Company awarded him Hispanic Business man as did The Westchester Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Finally, in 2004, Hispanic Business Magazine ranked A&A Maintenance #209 of the top 500 largest Hispanic owned companies in America and #78 of the fastest growing 100 Hispanic owned businesses. As if he had not enough to do, in 1989 Armando opened Latin American Café a restaurant in downtown White Plains serving Cuban style cuisine

Armando is the former Chairman of The Board for The National Hispanic Business Group, a member of the Board of Governors for YMCA. He is also on the Westchester Art's Council Board of Trustees and most dear to his heart, the youngest Board Member of The Cuban American National Foundation.

Under his leadership since 1987, A&A has grown from 4 original employees to 2,600 employees with operations in seven (7) states. From its beginnings, A&A was a local service provider and has turn out to be a truly National firm today. A&A has taken over the maintenance and beautification of many properties including the global headquarter locations of affluent business developments such as Bayer Corporation, MasterCard International, Pepsi Cola, Avon Products, Prudential Life Insurance and Hertz Corporation. With more than 300 accounts and sites to maintain, A&A has been lead by a visionary, who aspires to create and establish a service far above the rest.

On his spare time, Armando enjoys playing the game of golf and furthermore; he has established himself as a serious and knowledgeable wine collector. Armando makes his home in Miami, Florida with his wife Marlene and his two daughters Lauren and Alessandra.