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Talented and accomplished consultant, coach, speaker, and trainer with over 26 years of experience as a professional engineer, manager, executive, and business owner, and over 14 years of experience alongside in the service sector

HIGHLIGHTS

Operational, management and executive level success

Private corporate and nonprofit board of director experience

Highly skilled and knowledgeable in high-performance, employee engagement, project management and execution, strategic planning, corporate impact, as well as people, leadership, and organizational development

QUALITIES

Well-rounded, well-organized, technical, and creative people-person; resourceful, collaborative, and driven to understand and solve problems that lead to successful outcomes for people and organizations



PROFESSIONAL CAREER TRACK

President and Founder – ActionsProve LLC, Knoxville, TN

2016-Present

- Strategic Planning, Executive Coaching, Leadership and Management Development, Employee Engagement, Corporate Impact Design, and Branding for high-achieving professionals and organizations (www.actionsprove.com)
- AEC Leadership Today podcast founder and host (www.actionsprove.com/podcast)

Author – Reversing Burnout. How to Immediately Engage Top Talent and Grow! A Blueprint for Professionals and Business Owners

2017

- Available on Amazon and through ActionsProve, LLC

Senior Vice President – Wright-Pierce, Portland, ME and Andover, MA

2008-2016

- Continuation of 2003-2008 VP position responsibilities with larger-scale regional and market sector focus
- Multiple strategic and succession planning sessions to lead and manage firm growth and leadership transition

Vice President – Wright-Pierce, Portland, ME

2003-2008

- Board leadership and governance, member of senior operations/management team, and practice group leader
- Major shareholder
- Led business development initiatives: client development and relationship management; led, directed and wrote compelling proposals; and designed/executed winning presentations and interviews in very competitive environments.
- Prepared papers and performed presentations for local, regional and national publications and conferences
- Led practice group staff recruiting, supervising, development, retention, and removal

Project Manager – Wright-Pierce, Portland, ME

2000-2003

- Fully developed and led technical, managerial and administrative tasks associated with major public works infrastructure projects exercising specialized skills and effective independent judgment
- Led client, regulatory and funding agency communication and approval processes
- Developed, negotiated and successfully managed project contracts, budgets and schedules
- Led next-phase business development initiatives with clients

Lead Project Engineer – Wright-Pierce, Topsham, ME

1998-2000

- Led design and construction oversight of physical, mechanical, chemical, biological and control systems for wastewater treatment, collection & pumping facilities with multi-disciplinary Architecture/Engineering support teams
- Performed technical, cost and financial impact calculations; and prepared reports, presentations, and design plans and specifications for bidding/construction
- Initiated and applied appropriate innovation to develop creative and cost/energy/operationally-efficient solutions including researching and documenting the basis, opportunities, and risks to gain stakeholder acceptance

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- Project Engineer – Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., Wakefield, MA** 1993-1998
- Performed a wide variety of water, wastewater and site remediation engineering tasks for clients across the region with increasing levels of responsibility and recognized performance

NONPROFIT AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- Project Team Volunteer – Miyamoto International** 2020
- Design of sustainable irrigation system solutions for isolated tribes in the Omo Valley, Ethiopia
- United Way of Greater Knoxville – Financial Stability Investment Committee** 2018-Present
- Review, recommend, and provide oversight for community funding
- Co-Founder – 100 Men Who Care Southern Maine and Knoxville Tennessee** 2016-Present
- Lead philanthropic organizations to multiply individual impact and support for local communities
- Vice President and Projects Director - ADios Ministries, Portland, ME** 2008-2019
- Led strategic planning, resource, and policy development to support growth and opportunities
 - Annually led multiple multi-generation international volunteer service teams
 - Designed and constructed numerous essential infrastructure projects and transformational educational and economic development programs, including a university-earning program and social enterprise farm
- Vice President – Friends of CICRIN, Waynesboro, VA** 2011-2019
- Provided support and resource development for child refuge center and school in Nicaragua
- Corporate Fundraising Lead – Engineers Without Borders, Portland, ME** 2013-2014
- Initiated contact and managed relationship with over 60 engineering firms in order to increase awareness and solicit support for organization; as well as, solicit for sponsorship and attendance at major fundraising event
- Outreach Committee – EastPoint Christian Church, South Portland, ME** 2011-2014
- Developed program and policies to support evolution of local and international outreach initiatives and activities

EDUCATION

- University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN** 2015
Executive Certificate in Transformational Nonprofit Leadership, Mendoza College of Business
- Northeastern University, Boston, MA** 2014
New Venture Bootcamp, Northeastern Center for Entrepreneurial Education
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA** 1998
Coursework toward Masters of Engineering
- Northeastern University, Boston, MA** 1996
Certificate in Environmental and Regulatory Management
- University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH** 1993
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, College of Engineering and Physical Science

CERTIFICATIONS AND AWARDS

- Licensed Professional Engineer** 1998-Present
Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine
- Younger Civil Engineer of the Year** 2001
American Society of Civil Engineers – Maine Section

ADDITIONAL PERSONAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Entrepreneurial:** Developed a residential subdivision with a 100% return on investment
- Interests:** Faith, family, independent learning, financial planning, traveling and sports