Bahram Shahriari

Senior Product Owner

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SUMMARY

Strategic and results-driven **Senior Product Owner** with over 28 years of experience at **Commonwealth Bank**, specializing in **product ownership**, **agile delivery**, **and enterprise program management**. Adept at leading **cross-functional teams**, optimizing **business processes**, and driving **technology transformation** to enhance customer experience and business performance. Proven ability to **align business objectives with innovative technology solutions** while ensuring risk management and compliance. Passionate about **mentoring teams**, **stakeholder engagement**, **and delivering high-impact solutions**.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science USA

California State University, Bakersfield

08/1992 - 06/1996

EXPERIENCE

Senior Product Owner - Asset Finance

02/2022 - 01/1970

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- Develop and execute the **Product Roadmap** for the **Asset Finance Technology Platform** in alignment with Business Lending and Group Technology strategy.
- Define Objectives & Key Results (OKRs) and ensure delivery of outcomes as per business strategy.
- Oversee agile ceremonies, driving team effectiveness and agile maturity.
- · Manage business operational risks, ensuring regulatory compliance and process efficiency.
- · Lead product system development supporting Asset Finance frontline, Product, Operations, and Collections teams.
- Identify and mitigate risks, dependencies, and technical debt, ensuring seamless project execution.
- Manage the Principle & Agency Agreement with leasing partners from a product management perspective.
- Drive process improvements and system enhancements to improve customer turnaround times.

Program Manager - Business Banking Technology

01/2020 - 02/2022

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- Managed large-scale technology programs, delivering strategic business benefits.
- Partnered with senior executives and stakeholders to align business and technology objectives.
- Led contract negotiations with vendors and technology suppliers.
 Ensured stability of technology assets in collaboration with service management teams.
- · Led cross-functional teams, including internal squads and external service providers, ensuring quality and timely delivery.

Senior Project Manager - Institutional & Business Banking

01/2017 - 12/2019

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- Spearheaded technology implementation projects, optimizing business efficiency.
- Ensured **compliance with risk management frameworks** and corporate governance policies.
- Oversaw all aspects of delivery within scope, budget, and timeframes, with a focus on risk and cost management.
- Provided timely progress reports and updates to key governance groups.

Project Manager - Institutional & Business Banking

01/2007 - 12/2016

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Focused on technology and operations project management

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Project Manager 2007 - 2017

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- · Led business transformation initiatives, improving process efficiencies and technology integration.
- Managed **end-to-end project lifecycles**, from impact assessment to implementation.
- Negotiated contracts and vendor agreements, ensuring optimal technology solutions.

System Manager - Technology Operations

01/2001 - 12/2006

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- Oversaw technology operations, ensuring smooth execution of IT services.
- Managed incident resolution processes to minimize downtime and improve service delivery.

EXPERIENCE

Relationship Manager/Business Banker

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- Provided business banking solutions to clients, driving customer satisfaction and business growth.
- Developed and maintained strong customer relationships to enhance financial services.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Banker Portal for Asset Finance

Implemented a digital portal for asset finance applications, reducing manual processes and improving turnaround times.

Bridging Finance Loan - Job Keeper Initiative

Led a **robotics solution** that automated 700+ loan applications in 6 days instead of 3 months.

Asset Finance Electronic Delivery

Implemented **DocuSign** for electronic signatures, reducing contract execution time from **5 days to 3 hours**.

CERTIFICATIONS

Applying Product Thinking for Product Owners (2025)

Agile Product Ownership (ICP-APO) (2022)

SAFe Agilist (2019)

Business Banking Arrears Management

Delivered a **SaaS-based arrears management system** in record time, receiving CEO Excellence and Re-Imagination Awards.

CommBank Small Business App

Launched a **mobile payment solution**, surpassing forecasted adoption rates by 30%.

Margin Lending Remediation Program

 Led a major compliance and risk mitigation project, earning executive recognition.

Create Exceptional Teams (2024)

Managing Successful Programs (MSP) (2021)

Lean Six Sigma Green Belt (2015)

SKILLS

Agile & SAFe Frameworks, Product Roadmap & Strategy, Stakeholder & Vendor Management, Risk & Compliance Management, Process Optimization & Automation, Technology & Digital Transformation, Leadership & Team Mentoring, Business & Financial Acumen

TOOLS

Agile | JIRA | Confluence | Trello

DocuSign | Salesforce | Experian SaaS | Robotics Automation

Azure DevOps | AWS | Google Cloud

Bluetooth Payment Systems | Apple iOS | Spreadsheets | Gmail

Microsoft Office Suite | Power BI | IAM (Identity Access Management)

01/1996 - 12/2000