# **Andrew Ellison**

#### **Head of Data**

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## **EXECUTIVE PROFILE**

Data leader and hands-on technical executive whose data engineering and analytics engineering initiatives have directly generated \$300M+ in lifetime revenue. Expert in building modern data stack infrastructure (Snowflake, dbt, Looker) and scaling data science teams in fast-growing technology environments. Proven track record transforming fragmented data silos into self-service analytics platforms that drive executive decision-making across Sales, Marketing, Engineering, Finance, and Product teams.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## KLOUD9 LLC, Severna Park, MD (Remote)

**HEAD OF DATA (DIRECTOR)** | August 2023 – Present

Partnered with Sales, Marketing, HR, Finance, and Supply Chain teams to deliver data solutions supporting \$25M+ revenue impact. Built and led 10 person data engineering, analytics engineering, and data science team with 100% retention, while maintaining hands-on technical leadership.

- Defined a multi-year data strategy integrating governance, AI readiness, and modern ELT pipelines, resulting in \$35M in executive-approved funding to scale analytics infrastructure and cross-functional insights.
- Rearchitected data engineering and reporting systems, improving data pipeline latency by 40% while reducing licensing costs \$300K annually.
- Led enterprise-wide Snowflake data warehouse implementation, integrating third-party data sources to enhance internal analytics capabilities for 500+ users across Sales, Supply Chain, HR, and Marketing.
- Rolled out Alation and implemented a governance framework, cutting data-definition inquiries by 90%, accelerating analytics delivery and freeing team capacity for strategic initiatives.

#### SLALOM, Philadelphia, PA

**DATA AND ANALYTICS SENIOR PRINCIPAL (SENIOR MANAGER)** | January 2021 – August 2023 **DATA AND ANALYTICS CONSULTANT** | October 2017 – January 2021

Promoted from Consultant to Senior Principal, leading initiatives delivering \$35M+ in new revenue and \$46M in cost savings for Fortune 500 and fast-growing startup clients across retail, consumer packaged goods, healthcare, life sciences, and financial services. Built Philadelphia market Data Visualization practice, scaling to a 9-person team while working across practices to deliver enterprise analytics transformations.

- Built self-service data platforms enabling 300+ business users to access analytics independently, reducing insight delivery from 14 days to real-time.
- Identified and researched emerging AI/ML technologies for predictive analytics and automated insights, positioning clients for next-generation data capabilities.
- Aligned 22 enterprise KPIs with C-suite OKRs and developed automated reporting roadmap, cutting quarterly operations review prep by 300 hours annually.
- Established Data & Analytics Centers of Excellence with governance frameworks that provided training and data access to over 200 users while maintaining compliance and data quality.
- Researched emerging data and technology trends to identify and develop new go-to-market capability
  offerings, expanding service differentiation and thought leadership.

## WOLTERS KLUWER HEALTH, Philadelphia, PA

**DATA VISUALIZATION LEAD** | November 2014 – October 2017

Built enterprise reporting capabilities from the ground up for a \$2B B2B healthcare SaaS company serving 1,200+ employees across multiple markets. Developed 40+ interactive dashboards that identified \$20M in new revenue opportunities and improved marketing campaign ROI by 50%.

- Created sales analytics environment that identified and helped capture \$20M in previously hidden revenue opportunities across product portfolio.
- Implemented comprehensive campaign reporting for print and digital media, increasing ROI 50%.
- Pioneered embedded Tableau analytics within Salesforce CRM, enabling real-time decision-making for 200+ sales professionals.
- Partnered with the engineering team to integrate disparate data sources into Amazon Redshift data warehouse.
- Built and maintained 40+ interactive dashboards serving Product, Sales, Marketing, and HR teams, establishing self-service analytics culture.
- Managed two person analyst team, responsible for upskilling and handling business analytics requests.

## **EDUCATION**

Master of Science in Information Systems | Penn State University Bachelor of Arts in Journalism | Penn State University

### STRATEGIC CAPABILITIES AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

## **Data Engineering & Architecture:**

- SQL, Python, DBT, Azure Data Factory, ETL/ELT pipelines
- Data engineering, analytics engineering, data modeling
- Enterprise data architecture, DataOps, CI/CD

#### **Cloud Data Platforms:**

- Snowflake, Databricks, Amazon Redshift, SQL Server
- AWS (Certified Cloud Practitioner), Azure
- Modern data stack implementation and optimization

#### **Analytics & Business Intelligence:**

- Tableau (Qualified Associate), Power BI, Looker, Sigma
- Self-service analytics platforms, embedded analytics
- Data visualization, reporting automation

## **Data Governance & Quality:**

- Data governance frameworks, data quality standards
- Alation, metadata management, compliance
- Data catalog implementation, unified data models