

# Christopher Riper

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## EXPERTISE

- Cross-functional Initiatives
- Program Management
- Customer Success / Account Management
- Client Relationship Management
- Big Data Analytics
- SQL Programming
- Database Architecture
- Financial Modeling
- Forensic Accounting
- Reporting
- Presentation Creation & Delivery
- Thought Leadership
- Team Management and Development
- Coaching and Mentoring
- Tools: Salesforce, Microsoft Office 365, Microsoft Teams, Zoom, Skype, Webex, Google Workspace

## EDUCATION

**Oregon State University**  
M.B.A.

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B.S., Computer Science

## PROFILE

Seasoned leader with demonstrated success in leading large-scale projects and big data analysis to help companies resolve complex issues. Accomplished at building and leading cross-functional teams to deliver exceptional results.

Highly analytical with keen ability to connect the dots with disparate datasets and draw valuable insights that serve as key evidence in legal investigations. Adept at distilling complex technical information and making it understandable for non-technical audiences.

Trusted advisor and collaborator who builds strong relationships with C-level executives, colleagues, partners and clients. Skilled at driving consensus across many internal and client stakeholders. Passionate about recruiting top talent and mentoring to develop their technical and leadership skills.

## EXPERIENCE

### FTI CONSULTING | PORTLAND, OR | 2011 — 2022

**Senior Managing Director | 2020 - 2022**

**Managing Director | 2016 - 2020**

**Senior Director | 2013 - 2016**

**Director | 2011 - 2013**

Leader in the Forensic & Litigation Consulting practice providing data analytics, fraud investigation, financial analysis and forensic accounting to aid in complex disputes and internal investigations for major financial services and technology companies.

- Build and lead cross-functional teams up to 25 consultants in 100+ engagements. Manage budgets totaling over 60K hours and \$30M in billings from 2016 - 2020.
- Manage the full client engagement, including gathering requirements, creating work plans, writing reports and delivering analyses, summaries and insights.
- Work closely with and serve as trusted advisor to legal counsel and corporate clients, collaborating across analytics, IT, legal, finance, accounting, internal audit and HR teams to aid in complex disputes and internal investigations.
- Support pre-sales teams by contributing to proposals and pitches to help win new business and increase revenue.
- Write and speak on blockchain and data analytics trends and managing data analytics teams for non-technical audiences such as the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), Law360 (a leading legal publication), and others.
- Spearheaded the opening of the Portland office. Led recruiting and hiring of the team, growing headcount from 2 to 25 team members in four years. Lead performance management and mentor junior colleagues.

### Key Projects

- Led the FTI team who assisted the Wells Fargo Board of Directors investigation of the [fake account scandal](#). Worked with groups across the bank to identify, collect and analyze a high volume of customer account, transaction, HR and financial data to identify trends and geographic distribution of sales-integrity violations—contributing to the clawback of \$75M payments to Wells Fargo executives.
- Led a pro bono engagement as part of a [lawsuit for inhumane treatment of detainees](#) at the Tucson Sector Border Patrol stations, where more than 200K migrants have been detained since 2015. Led the team who spent 2,500+ hours analyzing years of data, which served as the backbone of the case and contributed to a favorable ruling.

## CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (2021)
- CipherTrace Cryptocurrency Tracing Certified Examiner (2021)
- IBM Data Science Professional Certificate (2020)
- Blockchain Fundamentals for Accounting and Finance Professionals Certificate (2019)
- Johns Hopkins Executive Data Science Certificate (2017)
- Certified Fraud Examiner (2008)

## FTI CONSULTING, cont.

### Key Projects

- Led a team of FTI data analysts and accountants to improve reporting processes on revenue and deferred revenue for the tax group of a pre-IPO SaaS unicorn. Worked closely with the company's tax group to understand requirements and develop queries and processes enabling more granular tax reporting by jurisdiction—resulting in the deferral of \$5M of taxes in the first year. Prepared documentation and coordinated training to company stakeholders to adopt processes.
- Led the FTI team to investigate allegations of improper pricing of foreign exchange transactions at a Fortune 500 financial services company. Mined big data from disparate systems and created chronology of transaction history that revealed that thousands of customers' purported pricing promises were unfulfilled—leading the company to remediate by repaying customer funds plus interest.
- Led the FTI team to analyze class action allegations of overbilling at a public utility. Mined and analyzed hundreds of thousands of customers' electricity usage and billings over a five-year period, finding some customers had been incorrectly billed. Analysis was the basis for settlement that returned millions of dollars to customers and saved the city the expense of taking the case to trial.

## AXIOM EPM (acquired by Kaufman Hall in 2014) | PORTLAND, OR | 2011

### Consultant

Implemented custom Microsoft SQL-based business planning software for clients to assist their budgeting, forecasting and strategic planning processes.

- Led multi-day onsite end-user training for operations and finance staff of a regional healthcare system client.

## LECG CONSULTING | PORTLAND, OR | 2006 — 2011

### Consultant

Provided data analytics and forensic accounting services for fraud investigations and forensic accounting matters.

- Analyzed and modeled financial statements, stock portfolios, discounted cash flows, litigation damages and complex accounting issues, including \$100+ million financial restatements—using advanced Excel, Visual Basic .NET and Microsoft SQL Server programming.