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SUMMARY: Vendor Management, Sourcing, Outsourcing, Contracting, PMO, Information Technology (IT), Business Process (BPO) Professional with experience in progressively responsible positions for both large and small corporations. Max is a respected executive, people manager, information technology planner and strategic decision-maker.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

<u>Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island</u>, (3 years), *Director of Strategic Sourcing and Vendor Management*, Providence RI Director Vendor Contracting and Performance

Key Accomplishments: Executive leadership of a single vendor outsourcing multi-year contract. Service towers of the contract are all of the disciplines associated with Information Technology, Application Development and Business Processing Operations. The annual area of financial responsibility is ~\$70 M with an annual cost savings challenge of ~\$2-3 M. Identified and led initiatives in Innovation, Governance Modeling, Service Level Agreements, Cost Analysis, Repatriation of Services, vendor performance and multiple Programs. Interfacing with executives who are business stakeholders and vendors.

Professional Expertise:

Vendor Management Complex Contract Management Vendor Performance Management Vendor Relationship Governance Financial Management Program Management Project Management Outsourcing Strategic Sourcing Information Technology Operations IT Application Development Strategic Planning Professional Services Real Estate Management Budget/Cost Management Call Center Management Technical Innovation Gain Share Program Healthcare **Business Processing Operations**

Equifax Inc., (3 years), Senior Director of Vendor and Contract Management Atlanta GA

Key Accomplishments: Executive leadership of a single vendor outsourcing multi-year contract. International presence in mainframe and mid-range Information Technology infrastructure... The annual area of financial responsibility is ~\$140 M with an annual cost savings challenge of ~\$3 - 4 M. Executive interfacing with Equifax business stakeholders, PMO, vendors and executives. Identified and led initiatives in Service Performance improvements, Global Governance Modeling, Standardization, ITIL, Service Level Agreements, Cost Analysis, Repatriation of Services, workstation and service center RFP and multiple Programs.

Professional Expertise:

Vendor Management Complex Contract Management Vendor Performance Management Vendor Relationship Governance Program Management Project Management Financial Management Outsourcing IT Hardware/Software Management Strategic Sourcing IT Software Maintenance Information Technology Operations Network Management Deskside Support IT Planning Request for Proposal (RFP) Technical Innovation

<u>Analyst International at Lexmark</u>, (3 years), Senior Project Manager – IT Procurement & Contracting Lexington KY

Key Accomplishments: Executive leadership of IT Procurement and contracting. Developed the Software License and Maintenance Program,. Implemented and maintained the software procurement of software licenses, software maintenance, ERP support and contracting for a International corporation. Identified and led initiatives in software maintenance cost, and performance improvements, , Global Standardization, ITIL, Service Level Agreements, Cost Analysis, Repatriation of Services, workstation. Identified and implement ~ 1 M / year is savings for a single ERP contract.

Professional Expertise:

Contract Management Request for Proposal (RFP) IT Software Licensing IT Software Maintenance
IT Sourcing Professional Services Royalties Change Management
Project Management Vendor Performance Management Vendor Risk Management

<u>Clark Material Handling Co.</u>, (2 years), *Director of Information Systems* Lexington KY

Key Accomplishments: Top Executive leadership of a manufacturing corporation in the global headquarters. Led the coordination of four international manufacturing locations and over 300 sales, service and parts locations. Coordinated the usage and improvement of 2 distinct ERP systems (1 for manufacturing, 1 for Parts management). Designed, implemented and maintained a virtual private, secure Dealer Network that replaced an obsolete dial-up system.

Professional Expertise:

Enterprise Rptting Program (ERP) Network Management
Purchasing
Problem Management
Information Technology Ops
Parts Accounting System
Deskside Support
Project Management
Project Managem

International Business Machines (IBM), (23 years) Project Executive for Solution Delivery, Business

Cincinnati OH, Dallas TX, Lexington KY

Development Executive, Outsourcing Transition Project Executive, Program Manager – National Service System, Regional Customer Call Center Executive, Data Center Manager, Applications Development Manager, Systems Management Controls Manager, User Support Group Manager

Key Accomplishments: Participated in the development of the IBM outsourcing business model from its inception. Executive leadership for over 10 years, with multiple assignments and challenges in all 3 phases of the outsourcing business model - Engagement (Sales support), Transition (Project Management) & Steady State Delivery (Customer Satisfaction). Executive and functional Program Management of multiple standardized Programs of the IBM National Support System - Applications Development, Systems & Network Design, User Support Group Processes, Hardware/Software IDAC Process and Advanced telecommunications. Various Services Division executive and management positions.

Professional Expertise:

ADM Program Management Outsourcing Engagement Complex Contract Mgmt. Batch Processing Management System Performance Mgmt.

Outsourcing Engagement Exec. Customer Service Problem Management Service Level Management

Cost Case Development Outsourcing Project Management IT Hardware/Software Management Service Level Management Change Management System Online Management

Service Delivery IT Operations

Software Licensing/Maintenance Capacity Management Proj. Development Life Cycle

EDUCATION

Northern Kentucky University, Bachelor of Science – Business Management **Highland Heights KY**

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

600+ hours of Management, Leadership, Technical, Quality and Teamwork training that includes:

- IT Forrester Conference, Vendor Management, Sourcing& Contracting Professionals (2011)
- Vendor Management Council, Forrester (2010-2011)
- Contracting Essentials, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP (2007)
- ITIL Foundations in IT Service Management, Thomson-NETg Learning (2005)
- Asian Culture Training for Business, Lexmark Education Center (2005)
- Purchasing Skills Enhancement Course, Performance Purchasing Group (2004)
- Project Management Contracts & Procurement, Thomson-NETg Learning (2004)
- Project Management Contracting Essentials, Lexmark Education Center (2003)
- Project Management Strategic Contracting, Lexmark Education Center (2003) Solution Project Management Workshop, IBM Global Services (1999)
- Delivery Project Executive Management Training, IBM Global Services (1998)
- Project Management Boot Camp, IBM Education Center (1996)
- IT Strategic Planning, IBM Education Center (1996)
- Operating in the Political Dimension, IBM Management Institute (1995)
- Disaster Recovery Planning, IBM Management Institute (1994)
- Data Processing Operations Management, IBM Management Institute (1992)
- Business Selling Fundamentals, IBM Management Institute (1990)
- Middle Management Executive Training, IBM Education Center (1988)
- People Management in the 80's, Situational Leadership, IBM Education Center (1986)

MILITARY SERVICE

<u>United States Army</u>, 101^{st} Airborne Division – Meritorious Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Honorable Discharge

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Year Up – Providence Meeting Street - RI McAuley House - Providence Christmas Baskets with Love - Lexington Habitat for Humanity - Lexington Meals on Wheels - Dallas Inter-City Business Alliance - Dallas Diversity Business Council - Providence