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**Acquisition Program Director**

***Bringing sound technical program management skills, strong business acumen, and real leadership experience. Passionate about leveraging agile methodologies and data-driven insights to drive innovation and efficiency.***

Senior executive (Transitioned Naval Officer) with 15 years of exceptional ability to lead and manage large-scale programs. Strong technical foundation relevant to multiple industries with hands-on experience using applicable technologies and program management tools and methodologies. Ability to define and drive program strategy in alignment with business objectives leading to actionable plans. Substantial experience collaborating with cross-functional teams (production management, engineering, etc.). Proven record of successful government contract planning and execution. Staying informed about industry trends and emerging technologies to guide future program strategies. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Advanced degrees in engineering and business. Active TS-SCI clearance.

**Professional Skills**

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| * Leadership & Team Management | * Technical Proficiency | * Customer & Stakeholder Engagement |
| * Project & Program Management | * Resource Management | * Risk & Change Management |
| * Strategic Thinking | * Team Development & Mentorship | * Lean & Agile Methodologies |
| * Collaboration & Communication | * Budget & Financial Management | * Problem-Solving & Root Cause Analysis |

**Professional Experience**

**Blue Sky Innovators, Reston, Virginia 2024 - Present**

**Acquisition Program Director**

Providing acquisition support and expertise overseeing the program management aspects of a cybersecurity program, including system hardware & software design, development, testing, and evaluation. Ensuring equipment and software being developed is technically sound, meets all requirements, and is delivered on time and within budget.

* Created forecasting tool for government program manager to support strategic execution of $140M budget
* Technically evaluated $4M high priority cost proposal facilitating contract award two weeks ahead of schedule
* Created $10M cloud services contract proposal directly supporting FY25 program objectives

**Medium Combatant Ship (DDG 51) Program, Washington DC 2021 - 2024**

**Principle Assistant Program Manager (US Navy)**

Ensured ships and ship systems & equipment were designed, built, and maintained to meet the required standards and the customer’s operational needs. Responsible for formulating a contract acquisition strategy that outlined the approach for procuring and developing the program’s components. Created and managed the program’s budget, ensured that funding was allocated appropriately to meet program goals. Led and mentored a team of 150 personnel. Regularly reported to executive leadership, including updates on program progress, challenges, and solutions. Worked closely with other departments, such as finance, engineering, and operations, to ensure smooth program execution.

* Developed RFPs for and chaired 3 source selection boards awarding over $100M in government contracts
* Created a workforce development strategy which enhanced shipbuilding trade retention by 50%
* Collaborated with production to Identify shipyard manufacturing bottleneck saving 6 months of schedule and $3.6M

**Small Combatant Ship (LCS) Program, Mobile AL 2019 - 2021**

**Program Manager’s Representative (US Navy)**

Oversaw and coordinated all onsite program requirements. Responsibilities spanned across various stages of the shipbuilding process, ensuring that all requirements were met and that the project ran smoothly. Acted as the central point for program coordination, managing project team of 100 personnel, ensuring compliance with design requirements, integrated new technologies, and communicated with stakeholders. Delivered four ships that met all required specifications and performed reliably in service.

* Led a cross functional team to identify a radar circuit board design flaw saving the project $22M and 3 months of schedule
* Identified a significant rework driver through technical analysis improving first time quality by 25%
* Collaborated with industry partners to recover from a combat systems casualty saving $2M and one month of schedule

**Small Combatant Ship (LCS) Program, Marinette WI 2015 - 2019**

**Production & Test Manager (US Navy)**

Guided program aspects of the project, ensuring production and testing adhered to design specifications, quality standards, and project timelines. Role also involved detailed program oversight, collaboration with various teams & industry partners, and hands-on problem-solving. Led a team of 70 program personnel ensuring they effectively worked towards project goals.

* Collaborated with cross-functional teams to introduce lean manufacturing principles saving 100,000 man-hours per ship
* Mobilized dedicated task force of skilled technicians and specialist to correct 600 construction deficiencies in 30 days
* Led test and evaluation during navy ship inspection leading to 100% of planned tests completed on time

**Combatant and Amphibious Ship Maintenance and Modernization Depot, Norfolk VA 2012 - 2015**

**Operations Director (US Navy)**

Directed a 20-member team and managed a $250M operating budget. Developed and implemented maintenance and modernization planning and execution. Identified and resolved program issues during planning and execution operations. Conducted root cause analysis of failures or breakdowns to prevent recurrence and improve maintenance practices. Communicated maintenance plans, progress, and issues to senior management and other stakeholders. Prepared detailed technical reports on maintenance operations, highlighting key metrics, issues, and recommendations for improvement.

* Negotiated over $20M in contract changes for 5 naval ship maintenance and modernization availabilities
* Identified root cause of a malfunctioning ship well deck door saving $4M and restoring full operational capability
* Successfully planned and executed $3M emergent drydocking and propulsion repair in less than 30 days

**Director Maritime Ship Support, Ottawa ON 2010 - 2012**

**Project Naval Architect (US Navy)**

Provided material acquisition and technical support services for Canadian Forces Maritime Command. Led a 5-person team and managed a $5 million-dollar operating budget. Provided expertise and guidance to a team of engineers, ensuring successful completion of projects within specified timelines and quality standards. Led technical discussions, making architectural decisions, and resolved complex technical challenges throughout the project life cycle. Mentored team members, promoted knowledge sharing, and stayed updated on emerging technologies to drive innovation.

* Collaborated with Georgia Tech Institute to develop specialized design software reducing design time by 30%
* Coordinated with industry partners to upgrade ship propulsion systems, leading to a 40% increase in operational efficiency
* Completed a six-month design study for a new research ship on time and within budget constraints

**Education & Credentials**

Masters of Business Administration, University of Illinois

Masters of Science, Naval Construction and Marine Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Masters of Science, Systems Design and Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering Technology, Old Dominion University

Program Management, Defense Acquisition University

Engineering and Technical Management, Defense Acquisition University

Department of the Navy Acquisition Professional Membership

**Military Service**

Navy Engineering Duty Officer 2007 – 2024

Navy Surface Warfare Officer 2004 – 2007

Navy Nuclear Trained Machinist Mate 1996 - 2004