# **JOHN SMITH**

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## **CORE QUALIFICATIONS**

- Sales and Marketing strategies
- · Sales forecasting and Reporting
- Excellent customer service skills
- Strong communication and negotiation skills
- Understanding of digital and social marketing
- Understanding AI in sales
- · Public speaking and Networking
- Teaching and Mentorship
- Collaborating with Marketing departments
- Organizing promotional campaigns
- Ability to manage and develop new accounts
- Leadership and Management of a sales team
- Proficient in Microsoft Office and Salesforce

### **CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

- South African Social Media Association Conference, Cape Town (2012, 2013, 2014)
- Consumer Behaviour Technology Conference, Cape Town (2013, 2014, 2015)
- Sandton Marketing and Sales Convention (2017)
- Progressive Marketing Summit, Johannesburg (2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022)
- Sales Technology Conference, Johannesburg (2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023)

### **ABOUT ME**

I have a passion for sales which is what

### **SUMMARY STATEMENT**

Sales professional with ten years of experience in developing and implementing successful sales strategies. Proven ability to build strong relationships with customers and exceed sales targets. Seeking a challenging role in sales with a reputable organization.

### **EDUCATION**

### **Bachelor of Commerce in Marketing**

University of Johannesburg

- Completed a 3-year degree program in marketing
- Studied courses such as marketing research, consumer behavior, advertising and sales management

### Diploma in Sales and Marketing

IMM Graduate School of Marketing

- Covered topics including sales strategy, market research, consumer behavior, and brand management.
- Completed coursework in digital marketing, advertising, and public relations.
- Developed and executed a comprehensive marketing campaign for a real-world client as part of the program's capstone project.

### **Certified Sales Professional**

Sales and Marketing Association of South Africa (SMA)

### **Certificate in Salesforce Administration**

Salesforce (online)

### WORK EXPERIENCE

# **Sales Manager,** 06/2018 to Current **Richard & Johnson** – Johannesburg, South Africa

- Work backward, with your current or most recent job first.
- Develop and implement sales strategies that increased revenue by 15% in 2021
- Build and maintain strong relationships with key customers, resulting in a 20% increase in customer retention
- Lead a team of five sales representatives, providing coaching and training to help them achieve their sales targets
- Collaborate with the marketing department to develop and implement effective promotional campaigns
- Manage key accounts and develop new business opportunities.

# **Sales Representative,** 06/2014 to 05/2018 **TBT Medical Technologies** – Johannesburg, South Africa

- Exceeded sales targets by an average of 25% annually
- Developed and maintained strong relationships with healthcare professionals, resulting in increased referrals and repeat business
- Conducted product training sessions for healthcare professionals,

drives me to seek new challenges and continuously improve my skills. I strongly believe in the power of collaboration and enjoy working with others to solve problems and build strategies.

Outside of work, I am a dedicated fitness enthusiast and enjoy spending time at the gym challenging myself physically. I am also an avid reader of non-fiction books, particularly those related to personal development and human psychology. These activities not only enhance my personal well-being, but also contribute to my professional growth as a salesperson.

As an individual, I am driven by selfmotivation and a strong work ethic. I am always seeking to expand my knowledge and skills in sales, and I am not afraid to take on new challenges or step outside of my comfort zone.

Overall, I am a well-rounded individual with a diverse set of skills and interests. I am committed to achieving success in my professional career, and I believe in working hard to achieve that.

### REFERENCES

David Merensky (GSK Timber Shareholder) – davidmerensky@gmail.com

Helen Grobler (TBT Medical Technologies Senior Partner) –

helengrobler@gmail.com

Richard Hunt (Richard & Johnson Director) – richardwessels@gmail.com

### **LANGUAGES**



- improving their knowledge and confidence in using the products
- Managed a portfolio of 50+ accounts, ensuring timely delivery and effective account management.

# **Junior Sales Representative,** 07/2010 to 06/2014 **GSK Timber** – Johannesburg, South Africa

- Developed new business opportunities in a highly competitive market, resulting in a 10% increase in revenue
- Conducted market research to identify potential customers and sales opportunities
- Built strong relationships with customers through regular visits and excellent customer service
- Collaborated with the marketing department to develop and implement effective promotional campaigns

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Conducted research on "Consumer behavior towards healthcare products" as part of the Bachelor of Commerce in Marketing program at the University of Johannesburg (2012)
- Conducted research on "The impact of social media on consumer behavior" as part of the Diploma in Sales and Marketing program at the IMM Graduate School of Marketing (2014)

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Guest Lecturer, Sales and Marketing, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa (2019)
- Tutor, Marketing Management, University of Johannesburg, Johannesburg, South Africa (2013-2014)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Ndlovu, S. "Consumer behavior towards healthcare products." Journal of Marketing and Sales Research, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2013, pp. 56-61.
- Ndlovu, S. "Marketing Metrics: How to Measure the Success of Your Marketing Campaigns." Journal of Marketing and Sales Research, Vol 22, No. 7, 2022, pp. 12-33.

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- Presented on "The impact of social media on consumer behavior" at the South African Social Media Association Conference, Cape Town (2014)
- Presented on "The Future of Sales: Using Artificial Intelligence to Enhance the Sales Process" at the Sales Technology Conference, Johannesburg (2023)
- Presented on "Marketing in the Digital Age: Strategies for Success" at the Progressive Marketing Summit, Johannesburg (2022)

### **HONOURS AND AWARDS**

- Best Salesperson of the Year from TBT Medical Technologies (2017)
- Sales Achievement Award for exceeding target sales from GSK Timber (2013)
- Van Tonder Public Speaking Award at Johannesburg Toastmasters Speech Contest