

JAMES M. FERGUSON, II

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EDUCATION

Life Christian University, Milwaukee, WI September 2018 – Present

- PHd – Pursuing a Doctorate in Christian Counseling. Specific areas of focus: interfamilial trauma, marriage counseling

Marquette University & Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, WI, August 2005 – May 2016

- JD - Juris Doctorate, *areas of interest include: public policy, nonprofit, regulatory/administrative, constitutional & criminal law*
- BA - Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science/ minor in Theology, *graduated cum laude*, May 2009

Les Aspin Center for Government, Washington, DC, June 2007 – May 2008

- Field of Study: The United States Government/ Public Policy
- Completion: May 2008. GPA: 3.9/4.0

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Center for Family Preservation, Corp, Milwaukee, WI, August 2018 – Present

President/ Executive Director

- Oversee and report on the organization's results and activities to the Board of Directors
- Responsible for planning, organization, and direction of the organization's operations and programs
- Ensures that services and funding relationships are robust enough to meet or exceed strategic goals and objectives

MacPyles Corporation dba McDonald's, Milwaukee, WI, February 2016 – Present

Chief of Staff to the Chief Executive Officer

- Supervise corporate teams in the development & implementation of the company's strategic plan
- Manage strategic community partnerships and investments
- Advise the CEO on the development and evaluation of corporate policies, procedures & systems

Abundant Faith Church of Integrity, Milwaukee, WI, January 2016 – Present

Executive Pastor/ Chief Operating Officer

- Develops and executes operating policies and procedures to support the overall goals and objectives of the Ministry
- Appraises and evaluates the results of overall operations regularly and systematically reporting results to the Senior Pastor/ Church Board
- Lead, coach, develop, and retain a high-performance management team with an emphasis on developing capable management succession.

WestCare Foundation, Inc., Milwaukee, WI & Chicago, IL, October 2013 – February 2016

Vice President – Program Operations

- Oversaw the fiscal & programmatic operations of all youth serving grants
- Recruited and supervised professional youth service staff
- Oversaw data collection and tracking to ensure that grant measurements/ outcomes were achieved
- Developed community-based partnerships and oversaw development and design of all new youth serving programs

Career Youth Development, Inc.: Executive Office, Milwaukee, WI, May 2009 – September 2013

Executive Director

- Balanced and expanded the organization's agency-wide budget
- Invested in youth programming significantly diversifying agency's menu of youth services
- Oversaw annual strategic planning retreat for Board Members
- Developed strategic partnerships to expand agency's service capacity

Council for Opportunity in Education, Washington DC, Summers 2010 - 2011

Special Assistant to the President for Public Policy

- Participated in the development and execution of strategies to make quality educational access a priority in Congress
- Produced blog entries on behalf of the President that were widely distributed & used as tools to shape public policy discourse

SELECTED LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, AWARDS & HONORS

- *Leadership Council Member:* 2020 Milwaukee Democratic National Convention, October 2019 – Present
- *Chairman of the Board:* Brothers of Kwanzaa – African American Male Support Network
- *Executive Board Member:* Our Father's House, Houston, TX, April 2012 - Present
- *Representative:* Marquette University Law School- Student Bar Association, Milwaukee, WI, May 2010 - May 2012
- *Chairman:* Marquette University (MU) Class of 2009 Senior Challenge Committee, Milwaukee, WI, August 2008 - May 2009
- *Recipient:* Marquette University Law School Pro Bono Society Inductee, 2013
- *Recipient:* Authored Congressional Resolution on behalf of Congresswoman Gwen Moore, 2008
- *Recipient:* Carl Ziedler Award for Excellence in Scholarship & Leadership- Milwaukee High School of the Arts, 2005