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EDUCATION

University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri
Juris Doctor

Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Bachelor of Arts
Major: Political Science
Minor: Social Philosophy

COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT

Zoning Board of Appeals, City of Monona, WI

- Served as a citizen member of the Board

City of Monona Library Board of Directors

- Served as a citizen member of the Board

Wisconsin Bar Association

- Served on the Board of Directors for the Government Lawyer's Division

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Cream City Foundation

June 2017 – Present

PRESIDENT & CEO

As the Chief Executive Officer, I work collaboratively with the Board of Directors to develop and execute the vision of the organization. I oversee all aspects of the day to day operation.

- Provide the vision, direction, inspiration and motivation necessary to ensure the Foundation's success. Provide leadership by demonstrating good judgment, being an effective communicator, working with staff, donors and community leaders, building consensus, providing appropriate guidance and oversight, and being able to motivate individuals.
- Work with the Board of Directors to help ensure that the Board is properly constituted and trained to conduct effective governance.
- Provide oversight and direction in raising funds to support the operations of the Foundation and to attract new donors. Manage fundraising and resource development in coordination with the Fund Development Committee of the Board.
- Work with the Board and staff to develop programming, grant making, and grant management strategies and systems aligned with the vision and mission of the organization and ensure that such strategies and systems are implemented well. Establish strong working relationships with other community leaders to promote the image and goals of the Foundation and to facilitate other community efforts.
- Develop, implement and maintain the infrastructure of the Foundation to ensure efficient and effective operations according to best practices and ethical guidelines including effective report of financials, cash flow, break-even financial results and achievement of the goals set forth in the Foundation Strategy Map.
- Ensure that staff and volunteers are properly selected, supported and guided and that their professional development is nurtured.

**AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin
DIRECTOR OF MAJOR GIFTS**

January 2016 – June 2017

As a member of the senior leadership team and supervisor, I was a key member of the development team that secured over \$3.3 million annually to support the mission of ARCW.

- Personally managed a portfolio of over 100 major gift donors and prospective donors. Conducted face to face meetings with donors to cultivate a more significant relationships.
- Provided stewardship to these donors throughout the gift cycle process.
- Provided leadership and strategic direction to the direct mail solicitation of all individual donors, including preparation of letters and pledge forms.

**City of Madison – Office of the City Attorney
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY**

January 2015 – January 2016

- Prosecuted violations of the City of Madison's ordinances, and traffic violations. Represented the City in jury and court trials, motion hearings, pre-trial conferences, sentencing hearings, and other court hearings.
- Provided legal counsel and representation to City officials and managers, particularly the Madison Police Department on compliance with the law.
- Served on the City of Madison's Racial Equity plan team, representing the Office of the City Attorney. In conjunction with the City of Madison's Department of Civil Rights, charged with developing the Office of the City Attorney's affirmative action plan.
- Served on the Board of Directors for the Government Lawyer's Division of the Wisconsin Bar Association, providing a voice to attorneys who are employed by governmental agencies, in the governance of the Wisconsin Bar Association.

**Office of the State Public Defender
ASSISTANT STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

January 2011 – January 2015

- Represented indigent defendants in felony and misdemeanor prosecutions, probation revocation proceedings, and civil commitment proceedings.
- Researched and wrote motions and professional memorandum regarding a variety of legal issues relating to the prosecution of municipal citations and representing city officials in legal proceedings.
- Reviewed and analyzed legal discovery including expert psychologist reports, law enforcement reports, witness statements, photographic evidence and digital discovery.
- Graduate of YWCA *Racial Justice Workshop* – a multi-day training focused on identifying racial privilege and providing building blocks on combating the effects privilege has on our communities.
- Served as a member of the Office of the Public Defender's Affirmative Action Advisory Committee.

**Wisconsin State Assembly – Office Representative Jon Richards
LEGISLATIVE AIDE**

August 2009 – January 2011

- Developed and executed plans to guide legislation through the legislative process: drafted bills, facilitated compromise between stakeholders, and garnered community support.