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SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER

Results oriented project leader, experienced driving high-risk and high-visibility global initiatives from inception through implementation.

Proven problem solver, who identifies operational issues and delivers solutions.

- Mission critical projects include:
 - ERP, Legal, E-Procurement, Sarbanes-Oxley attestation, compliance, and remediation
 - Data center consolidation, and network infrastructure
 - Application development initiatives.
- SDLC methodologies employed include: Waterfall, AGILE, JAD and RAD.
- Extensive experience in large, complex organizations, managing people, processes, and budgets.
- Expert in the integration of organizational accounting methodologies and processes.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

American Capital Mortgage Bankers

September 2010 – December 2011

Consultant Project Management

- Managed implementation of financial/operational process changes and application integration; streamlining present processes, ensuring alignment with senior management's long-term objectives.
- Collaborated with project team, IT colleagues and business line contacts to integrate activities to meet client needs.
- Tracked scope and managed priority shifts and their impact on the cost/timeframe of project delivery.
- Tracked all aspects of deliverables and maintained project documentation.
- Managed the Quality Assurance and testing activities and facilitated meetings with development and operations team.

Hewlett Packard

January 2010 – August 2010

Consultant Project Management

- Worked with Hewlett Packard Program Director on the "911 System" project for the city of New York, responsible for the collection of outstanding Accounts Receivable. This was the largest outstanding Accounts Receivable in all of North America for Hewlett Packard.
- Documented the billing process from HP's side and the payment cycle from the City of New York's side, to ascertain the cause of the issues.
- Based on stakeholder input, developed a database to track aging, and facilitate remediation of all open invoices.

American Capital Mortgage Bankers

May 2009 – November 2009

Consultant Project Management

- Assessed the effectiveness of current state of financial/operational processes and applications, documented all processes, and presented recommendations to streamline existing processes to ensure they are in line to support senior management's long-term objectives.

Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., New York

April 2001 – October 2008

Sr. Level IT Project Manager

Managed multiple simultaneous projects with business stakeholders and IT to deliver Corporate Finance, Tax, Legal, Travel, and Procurement applications for this seven billion dollar holding company.

- North American lead for E-Procurement initiative to automate and control the procurement process.
- Oversaw the Quality Assurance and testing functions for E-Procurement and Finance applications, leveraging best practices in an automated test environment.
- Implemented a content management solution for the legal department at Interpublic worldwide.
- Led stakeholders through requirements definition, build vs. buy analysis, acquisition, integration, and implementation phases.

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- Chaired project team meetings, and reported project status to sponsors, and stakeholders.
- Organized and lead the project teams through the initiation, planning, execution, control, implementation and closure phases of the project.
- Assisted in creation of a formal Program Management Office at Interpublic Group, Lead and coordinate regular status reviews of project plan tasks with track leads.
- Managed change orders, escalations, and risks.
- Managed both staff and contracted resource teams of business analysts, applications developers, and systems engineers.
- Managed the necessary approval process required for governance approval for all projects.

Sr. Manager, Financial Systems Development

Managed the re-engineering of a financial reporting and consolidation system in Hyperion Enterprise for 850 agencies in 80 countries into one reporting system utilizing web-based reporting and forecasting technology. Assisted management in streamlining the closing cycle, creating greater reliability and completeness of financial information, and reducing consolidation costs. System currently supports 1,700 finance users in all agencies worldwide, with recurring savings of \$5 million per year.

- Managed on-site and remote workers, staff and contract resources, domestic and offshore.
- Designed key corporate finance solution and managed its implementation with a team of ten IT professionals.
- Consolidated six charts of accounts and financial reporting systems into a single reporting package within Hyperion Enterprise.
- Delivered a management dashboard with real-time access to financial information.
- Conducted a financial consolidation process review for purposes of identification and remediation of Sarbanes-Oxley related issues.
- Developed training curriculum and materials, and led training of 1,700 finance users worldwide.

Gartner Group Inc., Connecticut

March 1999 – March 2001

IS Operations Project Manager

- Developed policies and procedures to monitor and report on the operations environment.
- Led the development of Trend Analysis Reporting to fine-tune the network environment, facilitated proactive systems performance management, network growth management, and systems capacity planning.
- Managed QA test lab environment utilized for testing and validation of all internal and client facing software development.
- Utilized Root Cause Failure Analysis methodologies to introduce centralized alarm generation for all hosted systems (UNIX, NT, Oracle Database, Applications, and Networks).

Internal Audit Supervisor

- Identified internal controls and procedures around sales incentive and compensation plans.
- Assessed the effectiveness of financial and operational processes and applications.
- Conducted the review and documentation process for Y2K remediation for the corporation worldwide.

Perkin & Elmer Computer Management Associates, SNET

February 1998 – February 1999

Financial Consultant

- Improved the timeliness and quality of reporting to senior management through the use of financial reporting tools.
- Introduced a new reporting package and streamlined existing processes to support senior management's strategic decision-making process.

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Renaissance Cosmetics, Inc., Connecticut

September 1996 – January 1998

International Controller

- Led the integration of two acquisitions that more than doubled the international export division.
- Responsible for the finance department of an organization with annual sales in excess of \$40 million. Implemented common platform for all Financial Reporting /accounting Systems.
- Built yearly budget bottom up in excel by category by agency.
- Performed all vendor selection due diligence and cost analysis.

Avon Products, New York

July 1988 – August 1996

Global Internal Auditor

- Developed and executed audit work in areas of high business risk.
- Performed audits in the areas of Accounts receivable, Accounts payable, General ledger, Travel & Entertainment, and Procurement.
- Assigned to Avon's treasury department for a four-month special assignment.

International Finance Senior Analyst

- Performed a key role in due diligence reviews for joint ventures in Indonesia and India.
- Implemented monthly reports to identify opportunities to reduce excess inventory for international locations that resulted in an inventory reduction of \$140 million within a two-year period.
- Implemented quarterly reports to identify opportunities to reduce the number of days outstanding for Accounts Receivable and increase the number of days for Accounts Payable on a worldwide basis.
- Performed numerous global special projects from product category profitability, common General Ledger chart of accounts, and global sourcing of raw materials.

Corporate Planning Analyst

- Consolidated and analyzed corporate and international profit plans and financial forecasts.
- Prepared reports to management with analytical support for special projects.

International Consolidations Accountant

- Re-engineered the international monthly closing process via automation of inputs and development of checks and controls that reduced the closing monthly cycle by two business days
- Did all supporting 10K and 10 Q schedules.
- Reformed all government censuses reporting monthly, quarterly, and annually.
- Assisted the technology team in the implementation of a new financial reporting application from Hyperion by the name of Micro-Control.

Dover Corporation, New York

July 1986 – June 1988

Corporate Accounting Manager

- Maintained the general ledgers and prepared financial statements for Corporate and two subsidiary companies.
- Converted from a mainframe General Ledger to Solomon General Ledger plus Accounts receivable and Accounts Payable.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In May 2011 I updated my skill set with Hyperion EPMA Administrator training on version 11.1.2.1. This afforded me the opportunity to get more hands on experience with the new EPMA suite, and the technical management and administration of Hyperion and projects specific to Hyperion EPMA including: application design, security modeling, organizational structure, chart of accounts, workflow management, etc...

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

Hyperion 11.1.2.1 EPMA
Concord Networks
HP PPM Project Management
SharePoint

Lotus Notes
Idea 5.0
Clarity Project Management
SQL

Trinity Avesta
Microsoft Office Tools

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Hindi

EDUCATION

City University of New York June 1986
Bachelor of Science (Major: Accounting)