

Summary

Innovative problem-solver with strongest talents in leadership, people skills, communication, and technology. Eager to pursue opportunities in evolving fields where ground rules are not yet clearly defined but challenges and payoffs are high. Keen interest in addressing complex communication, information, and process challenges through innovative use of Internet applications and technology commercialization. Focused on achieving greater flexibility, agility, and effectiveness in dynamic environments. Prefer to work in business, social, political, or educational arenas.

Leadership

Natural “take charge” personality enables me to effectively lead people in unknown territory, tackle new challenges, and capitalize on emerging opportunities. Agile and energetic.

- Adaptable to changing requirements and priorities on high-pace projects; can negotiate new resources, relationships, and procedures, without losing sight of critical, long-range goals.
- Comfortable about asserting a strong personal vision and strategy, yet confident to encourage open, constructive dialogue about alternative views and approaches.
- Adept at shifting between tactical and strategic roles. Flexible enough to lead by example, all the while willing to work on routine tasks as needed to instill confidence among team members. No job is too daunting, but no job is “beneath me” either.
- Flexible about traveling to distant locations to establish or support nationwide programs. Have led teams of 3-20 specialists on assignments in both hemispheres.

People Skills

Outgoing, outspoken, and daring in groups, yet supportive and helpful on a personal level. Great sense of humor and positive outlook. Skilled mediator lauded by court and civic officials.

- Confidence to finesse myself into new forums, working groups, or organizations to observe, contribute, and even guide proceedings.
- Persuasive personality that challenges colleagues to explore new perspectives, procedures, and goals, and to tackle difficult projects.
- Greatly enjoy facilitating connections between people to foster productive relationships across a wide spectrum of disciplines, interests, and endeavors.

Communication

Proven ability to effectively integrate written, spoken, and visual elements in creative ways.

- Accomplished writer and editor of training manuals, technical papers, newsletters, magazine columns, contract proposals, reports, and promotional materials.
- Producer of two cable television series comprising 75 programs. Assisted on numerous other productions in all key technical positions.
- Guest and host appearances on radio and television programs as a political candidate, commentator, and spokesman for various community organizations.

Technology

Broad background in engineering, science, mathematics, and technology enables me to quickly come up to speed on new projects.

- Innate ability to visualize how basic principles might be used to solve a problem – without necessarily being the subject matter expert. Adept at asking “the right question(s)” for clarity.
- Excellent troubleshooting skills; well-rounded computer expertise.

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Innovation

Easily foresee the importance of emerging technologies, their relevance to addressing new or old problems alike, and the long-range implications for business and society.

- A generalist, rather than a specialist, who quickly grasps complex technical concepts to assimilate them into promising solutions; accurately envisions future commercial applications.
- Confident to take reasonable risks, make quick decisions, and act with a minimum of planning.
- Easily able to “think outside the box” while working “within the system”.

Accomplishments

More than 35 years experience across a broad spectrum of pursuits developing diverse, interdisciplinary talents. In a nutshell, I've done a little bit of a lot of different things – but all with good to outstanding results:

- Business development
- Modeling & Simulation; computer programming
- Audio recording and editing
- Photography, graphic design and printmaking
- Statistical, scientific, and operations analysis
- Security and intelligence
- Test management, planning, execution, and reporting
- Engineering and technical management
- Television and video production
- Writing, editing, and public speaking
- Fund raising
- Training and education
- Mediation, facilitation, and meeting/conference organization
- Crisis intervention, suicide prevention
- Team and organizational leadership

Education

- Graduate studies, Applied Statistics, Utah State University, 1981-88
- BSEE, Electrical Engineering, University of Utah, 1984
- BA, Mathematics & Philosophy, University of Wisconsin - Whitewater, 1975
- Additional courses, seminars, and self-study in statistics, engineering, project management, television & video production, printmaking, Internet technologies, computer applications, computer networking & administration, and languages (German, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, & Portuguese)

Professional History

- Alliant Techsystems Inc. (ATK), 2004-present
- Mission Research Corporation, 1999-2004 (*acquired by ATK in 2004*)
- City Pages Communication & Information Services, 1997-1999
- Mediation Professionals, 1995-1999
- TRW Government Information Services Division, 1993-1997
- United States Air Force, 1977-1993
- JJG Construction Company, 1975-1976
- Walworth Security Corporation, 1972-1975
- United States Army, 1968-1971
- *various security clearances since 1969*