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# **Technology Executive**

### Streamlining Operations • Optimizing Resource Allocation • Integrating Technology

**Results-Oriented Client Project Director** — with proven success in developing strategy for application of technology and building operations and financial systems to convert that vision to scalable solutions. A decisive leader with a record of achievement of accurately assessing the financial and human resources needed to expand and increase efficiency and competitiveness. Leveraged experience establishing a \$12 million middle-market Oracle practice as a senior manager at EY, one of the largest professional services firms in the world and a Big Four accounting firm, to found kbb Services, Inc.

## **CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Technical Program Management
- Budget / Cost Control
- Strategic / Tactical Planning
- Financial Management
- Vendor Sourcing / RFPs
- Customer Experience Optimization
- Technology Integration
- Performance Improvement
- Multidepartment Collaboration

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### kbb Services, Inc. | Ovilla TX

**2000 - Present** 

A consulting firm providing technology integration services, including order to cash, contract to pay, invoice to pay, record to report, settle to reconcile, asset acquisition to disposal, planning / budgeting, and cost management. Serve clients in roles such as project manager / project director of Oracle EBS and customer care and billing.

## **Clients Served**

#### Arizona Public Service Company | Phoenix, AZ | 2015 - 2017

The largest electric utility company in Arizona, serving more than 1.6 million customers in eleven counties and operating three nuclear reactors, including the largest nuclear plant in the US.

## Client Project Director - Oracle Customer Care & Billing (CCB) Integration

Managed the CCB (v2.4) integration with 60+ plus systems, including refining order to cash, contract to pay, invoice to pay, record to report, and settle to reconcile.

- \$120 million software implementation optimized by developing internal resourcing plans for six disparate IT departments while coordinating activities to meet the inherently complex schedule.
- Led development of 250 integration points by providing on-time integration to 30+ outside vendors through leading extensive contract negotiations and coordinating the legal and supply chain teams.
- **Ensured interoperability** among 60+ vendors by facilitating integration of a new software package with multiple legacy vendor platforms.
- 67% reduction in IT maintenance and support costs of the CCB platform achieved by adhering to the Tibco Bus integration standards for real-time / near real-time and batch processing.

#### Oncor | Dallas, TX | 2012 - 2015

The largest transmission and distribution electric utility company in Texas and the sixth largest in the US, serving more than three-million customers in 401 cities and 91 counties.

#### Client Project Director - Business Intelligence

Managed the IBM CCB (v2.4) Cognos business intelligence implementation resources.

- 84% cut in operational reports achieved by deploying a consolidated business intelligence solution.
- Created an accurate source of reporting by combining 15+ disparate data sources into one single source.
- 30% reporting development time decrease gained by evaluating process needs and deploying Cognos in Agile development methodology.

#### El Paso Electric | El Paso, TX | 2007 – 2012

A public utility company serving approximately 400,000 customers.

#### **Client IT Director - Interim**

Managed the Oracle EBS upgrade, the CCB (v2.2) / IBM Cognos (v8.4) business intelligence implementation, and the TIBCO pilot implementation and served as interim IT director.

- 50% reduction in the monthly financial close cycle obtained by deploying enterprise financial and operational Oracle EBS solution.
- **Eliminated system downtime** by deploying the first high-availability system used by the organization with the CCB implementation, ensuring a high level of customer satisfaction.
- Mitigated SOX compliance risks by implementing policies and procedures to create systematic, auditable integration.
- 17% annual IT cost reduction and 28% internal customer service metrics increase generated by leading an outsourcing effort for IT development, infrastructure, and desktop services.

#### Raytheon Company | Richardson, TX | 2005 - 2006

A major US defense contractor and industrial corporation with core manufacturing concentrations in weapons and military and commercial electronics with 63,000 employees and \$25 billion annual revenue.

## Client Project Director - Oracle EBS - Raytheon Training

Managed system implementation services of Oracle EBS financial modules and business process reengineering.

- 73% consolidation cycle time cut by developing a new accounting ID structure that automated the multiorganizational consolidation structure while utilizing Oracle's Multi currency reporting features.
- Achieved consistent and accurate revenue recognition reporting between US parent and international subsidiaries by developing and implementing standardized percentage-of-completion methodologies.
- Ensured maximum consistency of EBS implementations across the organization by eliminating client
  customizations with standard software functionality, updating policies and procedures, and retraining personnel.
- Rolled out a multinational Oracle EBS solution in less than six months by leveraging extensive experience and methodology acumen to conduct a rapid assessment, resource acquisition, and hands-on customer engagement.

#### Maine Public Service Company | Presque Isle, ME | 2003 - 2004

An electric supplier acquired by Bangor Hydro Electric Company.

#### Client Project Director - Oracle EBS

Managed implementation of Oracle EBS including business process reengineering of contract to pay, invoice to pay, record to report, settle to reconcile, planning / budgeting, and cost management processes.

- 15% completion bonus attained by completing a major Oracle EBS implementation in half the time of a normal cycle, including design, configuration, testing, and training.
- Maintained reporting accuracy and timeliness by developing and implementing single SEC / FERC chart of accounts to simplify the reporting structure and reduce reporting costs.

#### Viasat, Inc. | Carlsbad, CA | 2002 - 2003

A global communications company and provider of high-speed satellite broadband services and secure networking systems covering military and commercial markets.

#### Client Project Director - Oracle EBS

Managed system implementation of financial, manufacturing and CRM modules and business process reengineering.

- \$2 million contract delivered, the largest in company history, by hiring and managing 20+ consultants and implementing 15+ Oracle EBS financial, project, manufacturing, and CRM modules.
- Successfully managed the Oracle EBS rollout to the corporate entity followed by sequential rollouts to two divisions
  within an 18-month timeframe.
- **Completed Oracle EBS implementations** at three locations within 18 months by overcoming preconceived expectations that put program nine months behind schedule at one location alone.

#### **EDUCATION**