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FORCE MULTIPLIER | OPERATIONS & COMPLIANCE | PROJECT MANAGEMENT | RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Strategic executive support & operations specialist with 7+ years of experience empowering leaders in tech, venture capital, & high growth environments. Proven ability to streamline systems, navigate complex regulatory frameworks, & coordinate cross-functional communications. Adept at driving high-impact initiatives in dynamic settings, leveraging data-driven insights & new technologies to elevate performance.

CORE COMPETENCIES

√ Strategic C-Suite Support	✓ Research & Analysis	✓ Regulatory Compliance
✓ Confidentiality & Discretion	✓ Operations & Systems Optimization	✓ Project Management
✓ Financial Oversight	✓ Cross-Functional Leadership	✓ OKR Tracking

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Operations & Risk Manager

APRIL 2024 - PRESENT

Shield Title Agency, Phoenix, AZ (Remote)

- **Operations & Risk Reduction**: Enhance operational efficiency by developing and implementing standardized protocols and IT systems, reducing operational risk by 20% to date.
- **Policy Development & Onboarding**: Create comprehensive employee handbooks and role-specific playbooks, streamlining onboarding and ensuring operational consistency; these systems improve employee productivity and alignment with company goals.
- **Web Design & Client Engagement**: Spearheaded design and launch of company's website, crafting targeted content that increased client engagement by 30%; leverage user experience insights to enhance brand visibility and customer loyalty.

Founder & Designer

AUGUST 2023 - PRESENT

STONED HEARTS 777, Oakland, CA

- Operational Oversight: Launched, and scaling, sustainability-focused luxury jewelry brand, overseeing all aspects of operations from product design to sales.
- **Forecasting & Budgeting**: Create budgets & forecasts to guide growth; build projections & uses QuickBooks to categorize expenses, track spending, & create reports for clear financial visibility.
- **Vendor Relations**: Source and manage relationships with suppliers; negotiated special rates for raw materials and supplies, reducing production costs by 7% while maintaining high-quality standards.
- **Pricing Strategy & Margins**: Implement comprehensive pricing model based on desired profit margins, material costs, and other key financial benchmarks.

In-House Counsel

OCTOBER 2021- JULY 2023

O'Hare Clinical Lab Services (acquired by Idea Diagnostics), Chicago, IL

- **Strategic Leadership**: Directed operational strategies and cross-functional teams for one of nation's largest COVID-19 testing labs, leading critical change management & training for 100+ employees.
- **M&A**: Advised leadership on strategic partnerships & acquisitions; led due diligence for expansion.
- Talent Management: Oversaw recruitment; optimized hiring & onboarding to improve scalability.
- Public Relations: Hired & collaborated with PR firm to develop comms strategy & rebuild brand.
- Real Estate Strategy: Led negotiations for commercial leases, securing favorable terms for growth.

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Chief of Staff to CEO

SEPTEMBER 2019 - JULY 2020

GoodData, San Francisco, CA

- **Leadership Accountability**: Strategic partner to CEO; managed operations and led OKR tracking to ensure leadership accountability and alignment across teams.
- **Executive Workflow Management**: Organized, analyzed, and prioritized leadership workflows to ensure efficiency and strategic completion of critical tasks, based on CRM & SFDC reports.
- **High-Level Networking**: Built network of 500+ industry leaders across tech, finance, and ecommerce, driving strategic relationships that aligned with CEO's growth initiatives.
- **Business Development**: Led pre-event targeting, attendee strategy, collateral preparation, and post-event follow-up for conferences; engaged with 20+ high value targets per conference.
- **Cross-Functional Coordination**: Streamlined communications across engineering, product, legal, and sales teams to ensure alignment with strategic objectives and GTM initiatives.
- Hiring Support: Coordinated leadership hiring and seamless onboarding of key executives.
- **Event Planning**: Executed leadership offsites and first-ever companywide retreat, resulting in 15-point increase in employee Net Promoter Scores; planned all logistics & developed agendas.
- Confidentiality: Handled sensitive information with discretion & professionalism to protect trust.

Executive Assistant to Founder & Managing Director

AUGUST 2016 - AUGUST 2019

Saints Capital, San Francisco, CA

- **Streamlined Deal Pipeline**: Negotiated 150+ NDAs, developing standardized templates and formalizing firm policies to reduce negotiation time; accelerated dataroom access by 25%.
- Investor Relations: Spearheaded investor pipeline & CRM; drafted outreach & prepped pitch decks.
- **Board Governance**: Orchestrated quarterly governance for 6 venture funds, 7 portfolio companies, and 3 non-profits, ensuring CEO's preparedness for discussions & decision-making.
- **Calendar Optimization**: Managed CEO's complex professional and personal schedule, including investor meetings, board sessions, charitable activities, & global speaking engagements.
- **UHNW & Family Office**: Managed CEO's personal investment operations, including real estate and angel investing. Organized tax documentation and allocated expenses across entities & properties.
- Relationship Building: Organized events to connect with key prospects & secure partnerships.
- **Complex Travel Coordination**: Arranged intricate international travel itineraries spanning months and continents, leveraging CRM data to maximize CEO's time and impact during trips.
- **Estate Management**: Oversaw CEO's personal estate, recruiting & managing household staff, coordinating property upkeep & guest arrivals, and ensuring seamless oversight of 6 residences.

TECH STACK

GSuite • Zoom • Slack • Outlook • Office Suite • SFDC • Pitchbook • Asana • Notion • WestLaw Wix / WordPress • Canva • Mailchimp • SEO / Google Analytics • Data Scraping • OpenAI • Concur

EDUCATION

Chicago-Kent College of Law

MAY 2015

Juris Doctor, Certificate in Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

MAY 2012

Bachelor of Science in Advertising, Spanish Minor

High Honors

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