

Profile

- Strategic financial and operational professional with 30 years of diverse not-for-profit and governmental experience with direct responsibilities for finance, budget, accounting, treasury management, investments, legal matters, purchasing, debt issuance, enterprise risk management, insurance, technology, construction, security and facility maintenance
- Strong communicator accomplished in presenting complex matters to a broad range of groups and individuals including executives, boards, employees, the public and the media
- Extensive community and board experience. Notable past experience includes ten years as board member/president of Lincolnshire-Prairie View District 103, board member of Lincolnshire Community Association and director of Spring Lakes Sports Association
- Current volunteer board roles include Angaza Center (Africa and US/Illinois based not-for-profit) and Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) Business Operations Committee vice-chair
- Twenty-two year Lake County resident
- Member, Economic Club of Chicago; Member, Executives Club of Chicago; Member, CFO Roundtable; Member; Finance Executives International
- Crains Chicago Business, Notable CFO 2023 and Finance Executive International, Chicago, CFO of the Year Finalist 2023

Professional Experience

SHEDD AQUARIUM - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

- **CHIEF FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER | 2018-PRESENT**

As CFAO, responsibilities include finance, legal, risk management, insurance, investments/treasury, technology, facilities, construction, procurement and security for an iconic Chicago not-for-profit cultural, conservation and tourism institution.

LAKE COUNTY GOVERNMENT - WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

- **DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES | 2002- 2018**

Responsible for the financial and administrative management of a triple A rated, \$500 million annual budget in support of the work of 2,700 employees providing a broad range of governmental services.

CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

- **DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET | 1999-2002**

Responsible for all aspects of a \$330 million budget, supporting more than 3,200 employees at 500 parks across Chicago. In addition to over 300 staffed park facilities, operations included revenue generating harbor system, golf courses, parking garages, restaurants, concessions and Soldier Field.

CITY OF CHICAGO - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

- **ASSISTANT BUDGET DIRECTOR/DIRECTOR OF CAPITAL PROGRAMS |1994-1999**

Working with the Mayor's Office, operating departments, elected officials and the public, coordinated and prioritized funding for capital projects across Chicago. Initially hired as an intern, promoted through various roles, moving from intern to Budget Analyst to Assistant Director.

MASTER'S DEGREE | 1996 | LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

- Major: Political Science

BACHELOR'S DEGREE | 1991 | UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

- Major: Politics