

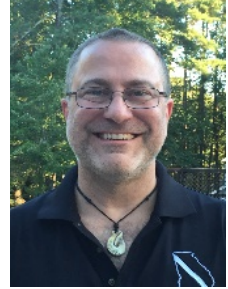
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RESUME

Education

ABD – Decision Sciences – Georgia State University - 2005

MS – Decision Sciences – Georgia State University - 1999

BBA – Decision Sciences and Management – Georgia State University - 1996

- Dean's List
- Started and managed Business Statistics Lab for GSU
- Published academic journal articles – Online vs Brick and Mortar Research

Experience

Oak Realty Group | 178 Towne Lake Parkway, Woodstock GA 30188

Qualifying Broker 1989 – Present

Manage commercial real estate acquisitions, dispositions, leasing, renovations, and consulting business.

Dive Georgia | 168 Towne Lake Parkway, Woodstock GA 30188

Managing Partner 2013 – Present

Manage day-to-day operations, quarry operations, retail business, online business, and staff. Since starting Dive Georgia, I have grown operations to a million dollar SCUBA business with 20 Instructors, 12 FT and PT Staff, and two locations. Since inception, we have grown all sides of operations: quarry, service, certifications, online and retail sales.

Skills

- PADI Master Instructor
- Public Safety Instructor
- PSI-PCI Instructor
- Service Technician – many brands
- PSD and Military Sales and Training
- Association Management – Condo Associations, HOAs, Investment Groups, and more
- Board Member on several Associations (Real Estate, Business, Government)
- Accounting Experience: QuickBooks and Peachtree Accounting

Associations

- CCIM – Certified Commercial Investment Member
- ACBR – Atlanta Commercial Board of Realtors
- DEMA – The Diving Equipment and Marketing Association
- PADI – Professional Association of Diving Instructors
- Downtown Woodstock Business Association

Community

- Clark’s Christmas Kids since 1999
- Anna Crawford Home since 2001
- Paws for Cause since 2008
- Our Pals Place since 2007
- Weatherstone Office Condo Board – 1999-2007
- Shiloh Ridge Board – 2007-2016
- Lakemont Committee – 2017 – present
- Created Georgia Dive Buddy – Online group to bring divers from all shops, walks of life, and areas together for one purpose – dive more!
- Created a Georgia Dive Social group that invites all dive shops and divers. The Georgia dive market is very divisive and we have managed to create a new positive “team” approach and have six shops that meet quarterly.

OBJECTIVE

My Objective as a DEMA board member is to support the continued growth of the association. I will bring new ideas, energy, and fresh perspective to the board. I work in a fast growing retail business and deal with all facets of the dive business: retail, service, travel, manufacturers, staffing, customers, and more.