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INTRODUCTION

Well-recognized in the Silicon Valley for creative solutions to complex problems; a 20-year business veteran, and author of *Lessons in Grid Computing: The System is a Mirror*, published in August 2006 by John Wiley & Sons. With a published background in Silicon Valley “best practices,” founded a knowledge management startup in 2001; directed 70-person (direct) and 20 (offshore) staff and ten million dollar cost center; key consulting clientele includes The World Bank, Cisco Systems, Symantec, VMware, and Macromedia/Adobe.

AREAS OF STRENGTH

- Exceptional communications, writing, and presentation skills
- "Employee-centric" management skills in technology
- Executive-level problem solving methodology
- Strong advocacy for business-technology alignment
- Solid history of “*on time, under budget*” performance
- Leadership training and career development
- Broad knowledge of IT Best Practices and emerging technologies

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Chief IT Architect & Interim CIO

TriNet HR, Inc., San Leandro, CA

<http://www.trinet.com>

January 2008 - Present

Executive management for leading SaaS provider. Responsibilities include staff supervision, process oversight, business alignment, SOX/SAS-70 compliance initiatives, and interim direction of TriNet’s IT organization as CIO during early phase of the company’s recent merger with Gevity, Inc. As CIO, established new management structure, reduced consulting expenses, negotiated enterprise contracts with Microsoft and Oracle, improved quality of customer portal, and met all product-delivery schedules.

As the company’s IT Architect, responsible for advanced R&D (for future products and next-generation platform strategies) and Intranet development, enterprise search, and technical support for internal portals (Oracle/PeopleSoft); serves as technology consultant to all business units, and provides guidance to key HR customers upon executive request.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

July 2007 – January 2008

Consultant to the CIO & Acting Director, Portfolio Management and Governance
Adobe Systems, San Jose CA

Reporting to Adobe's CIO, responsible for the creation of a new IT PMO, driving cross-functional alignment and governance processes across all major IT functional organizations (SAP, networks, product delivery); established weekly status reporting mechanism for all major projects including portfolio management, resource allocation and forecasting (180 million dollar budget, 700+ employees); also responsible for urgent response to "problem projects" and served as liaison for Business/Product Units, including the creation and program management for the first Engineering/IT cross-functional team at Adobe.

Founder and Executive Director (pro bono) 1999-2007

The CIO Collective

www.cio-collective.com

Served as Executive Director for the CIO Collective, a non-profit association of 100+ senior IT executives offering strategic guidance to emerging institutions. Founded by Stuart in 1999, the association has partnered with The Federal CIO Council in Washington, D.C. to provide quarterly coaching on key IT initiatives at the federal level. In his role as the Founder of the Collective, Stuart serves on the CIO Advisory Boards for Netscaler, Inc. (now Citrix), Outlook Ventures, CIO Insight, published for IT executives by Ziff Davis Media, DataArt, a provider of outsourced software engineering talent (based in St. Petersburg, Russia www.dataart.com) and Encentuate, a provider of identity management solutions for the enterprise (www.encentuate.com). Stuart is also on the editorial board for ISM Journal (academic review).

Executive IT Consultant (1999-2007)

www.srobbinsconsulting.com

Executive-level consultancy focused on a broad array of information technology and business problems, including enterprise project management, system and organizational assessment, executive mentoring, and "problem project" turnaround efforts. Select clients as an individual consultant include The World Bank Group, Macromedia, Cassatt Corporation, Symantec Corporation, Cisco Systems, VMware, Documentum, and Ziff Davis Media.

Founder and Chief Architect (1999-2001)

KMERA Corporation

www.kmera.com

Founded and served as Chief Architect for KMERA CORPORATION, a provider of ASP-based knowledge continuity products and services, based on a software platform utilizing Documentum, BEA, and Oracle products. Incorporated in November 2000.

Chief Information Officer
Jamcracker, Inc.
February 2000 – April 2001

Jamcracker is now recognized as one of the original “On Demand” companies of the decade. As a Chief Information Officer and Consultant for this broadly funded startup, Stuart served as an executive-level liaison with customer CIO and CTO offices, established and supervised Jamcracker’s CIO Advisory Board, established foundational process improvements (engineering operations initiatives, quality assurance) to enhance IT services; interacted with key customer accounts and various strategic alliance partners.

Interim CIO and eBusiness Architect
Documentum, Inc.
November 1998 – April 2000

Provided guidance as an executive strategist to Documentum’s eBusiness division on all aspects of Internet and Intranet technology and e-commerce alliances, product positioning, integration of channels, strategic partnerships, new markets, M&A strategy; also responsible for implementing a worldwide internationalization/localization strategy aligned with Documentum’s eBusiness initiatives.

PREVIOUS (related) EMPLOYMENT

Director, Information Systems
Synopsys Corporation, December 1996 - November 1998

Responsible for direct management of the 70-person “Information Access Services” department of the Synopsys Information Systems organization: supervision of PMO; Internet and Intranet engineering and content management, ERP/Data Warehouse and Reporting, Desktop Applications (email, calendar), HRIS engineering, Oracle and SAP data administration, CRM, Sales Force Automation and Call Tracking (Scopus), Electronic Software Transfer (an “e-business distribution system), Program Management, Configuration Management, Quality Assurance, and Release Engineering.

During his tenure, drove the growth of the company’s first intranet from an ad hoc network of 300-400 html files to a production architecture with more than 1.5 million pages.

Internet Engineering Manager
Information Systems, Synopsys Corporation
February 1996 - January 1997

Responsible for direct management of Internet/Intranet development team, including application development, foundation technologies, database architecture and interfaces, quality assurance, documentation, system administration, and webmaster.
Responsible for all phases of the software development process (design, implementation, test, integration, and release management); also responsible for liaison/matrix relationship with product marketing, IS/MIS teams, field services, technical support, and Synopsys business units for all aspects of Internet strategy and E-Commerce planning.

Program Manager, Information Technology & Services
World Wide Field Organization, Synopsys Corporation
February 1995 - February 1996

Responsible for program management of technical and marketing team supporting Synopsys' Automated Services Group, including award-winning information-retrieval product delivered via email and the Web; wrote product specifications, coordinated beta and release programs, served as primary customer contact for all Internet-based, world-wide customer support programs and services.

Member of Consulting Staff, Information Transfer Group
Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
Valid Logic Systems
1989-1995

EDUCATION

Warren Wilson College, Master of Fine Arts, 1986
Oberlin College, Bachelor of Arts, 1975
Coursework in Boolean Logic, UC Berkeley 1994-5

AFFILIATIONS and AWARDS

Member, American Mathematical Association, 2007-2008
Member, Society for Information Management, 1999-2006
Member, Association of Computing Machinery, 1995-2006
Computer Science coursework, UC Berkeley, 1991-1994
Member, Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility, 1994-1999
Member, Usability Professionals Association, 1994-1996
Corporate Quality Award, Cadence Design Systems, 1995
Corporate Quality Award, Synopsys Corporation, 1996

References Available Upon Request
For full publication list, see next page

RELATED PUBLICATIONS, selected - 1995-2006

“The System is a Mirror: a Prime Theorem for IT,” (presentation) and Performance Management panelist, Ventana Research Analysts’ Conference, San Francisco, June 11-13, 2006.

Lessons in Grid Computing: The System is a Mirror, New York: John Wiley & Sons, August 2006.

“Sustainable Knowledge” (quarterly column) Information Systems Management Journal, Spring, Fall 2003, Spring, Summer 2004, Auerbach Publications.

“Success in an Information Economy,” IS Management Handbook, 8th edition. Auerbach Publications, April 2003.

“Within and Beyond: The Changing Role of the CIO,” CIO Wisdom from the Best of Silicon Valley, Prentice-Hall (Harris Kern IT Series), March 2003.

“Business Continuity: Getting Started,” CIO Insight, September 2002.

Panelist, “The Ethical CIO,” CIO Insight, August 2002.

Speaker, Microsoft FUSION 2001-2003, Los Angeles; presentation on the role of CIO as business partner, and the importance of strategic business partnerships.

Panelist, Open Source CIO Roundtable, Ziff Davis Media, New York. February, 2002.

Panelist, Morgan Stanley CIO Outlook 2001 and 2002 Conferences, New York.

Speaker, Enterprise 2001 Conference for CEOs sponsored by the Sand Hill Group (CIO Panel) and speaker, SMART Enterprise 2001 (“How to Sell to the CIO”)

Judge, Technical Paper Review Committee, Society for Information Management, 2001.

Presentation: National conference of SIM (Society for Information Management) in October 2000; IT Collectives and “The New CIO”

Editorial: “A Call to Action.” CIO Insight, September 2001.

White paper: “The Changing Face of IT: Net-based Economics and the New CIO” white paper for Jamcracker, July 2000.

“Turbulence and Information Technology,” (white paper) Conference Proceedings, ACM SIGDOC, 1996.

“Through the Information Looking-Glass,” Communications of the ACM, April 1995.