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M365 Modern Teamwork + Employee Experience Leader

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EXPERIENCE

22 Years Consulting: Architect & People Leader
18+ years SharePoint & 7 years M365
Microsoft Gold Partners including Lante, Quilogy, Magenic, and PSC

📅 1995 - 2017   📍 Chicago, IL

- Lante: Event systems. Passed my first certification exam (Win 3.1). Business application development and system administration work.
- Quilogy: Began my SharePoint adventure in 2003. Most memorable project: Implemented a SharePoint Intranet for a US Senator. Rose through the ranks to become a Managing Consultant.
- Magenic: Was one of the two SharePoint technical leaders on a turnaround project to deliver a new intranet for a Fortune 15 company.
- PSC: Senior SharePoint Developer on a team that built a SharePoint-based public website. The site consolidated numerous acquired brands and over 30 line of business applications onto one platform.
- PSC: Provided Office 365 migration, administration, & adoption guidance to both PSC and clients large and small. Strengthened the Microsoft alliance. Brought in and lead delivery of a $400K project.
- My complete work history is on LinkedIn at http://bit.ly/MBB-LI .

4 Years Internal IT - M365 Service Management:

Aon
O365 Platform Lead | 54,000 seats | 2019-Present

- Lead a team of four responsible for all M365 collaboration workloads.
- Service owner and subject matter expert for the global deployment of OneDrive for Business and Office desktop applications to all colleagues. Recorded training videos. Advocated for service improvements from Microsoft.
- Implemented governance and service change management processes.

West Monroe Partners
O365 Product Manager |1000 seats | 2018-2019

- Responsible for service change management processes, product strategies, and tier 3 support.
- Evaluated opportunities to drive adoption of various O365 collaboration tools, selected initiatives, and executed on them.
- Streamlined 6 core processes, saving staff time, money, and improving communication.

Tribune Media
Principal O365 Engineer | 5000 seats | 2017-2018

- Responsible for Office 365 strategy, governance, operational service management, and user adoption. Created departmental business solutions. Service owner of Office 365 collaboration workloads.
- Selected and implemented a backup solution for the tenant and an email campaign solution.

ACHIEVEMENTS

💎 Notable Office 365 Successes
At all three companies, implemented an Office 365 weekly change management process centered on triaging Message Center announcements.

At Tribune Media, I increased OneDrive adoption 24% in two months and saved over $10K in employee time with Microsoft Teams. I also created a digital signage solution for Office 365 tips.

💎 Microsoft MVP since April 2015
This award recognizes my technical community leadership and knowledge sharing. I co-led the Office 365 Adoption User Group (Chicagoland Chapter) and speak on Office 365 locally and nationally, including Microsoft Ignite. I co-run the M365Chicago community conference.

💎 Toastmasters Advanced Communicator Silver
First member in the Microsoft Midwest Toastmasters Club to achieve this award.

💎 Awarded the Grow star at PSC
Recognized as a star achiever for helping coworkers perform at the next level. Helped two coworkers earn the Microsoft MVP award. Recognized as a Networking and Technical Evangelism star achiever too.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science
University of Illinois ~ 1991 - 1995

Urbana-Champaign, IL

Microsoft Certifications
MCSE: Productivity & MCSA: O365

Full Microsoft certification transcript from Windows 3.1 onward available on my blog.