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## INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIRECTOR / NETWORK SERVICES MANAGER

Proven Technical & Management Expertise in a Career Spanning 15+ Years

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Technically sophisticated and business-savvy management professional with a pioneering career reflecting strong leadership qualifications coupled with “hands-on” IS and networking expertise. Maintain focus on achieving bottom-line results while formulating and implementing advanced technology and business solutions to meet a diversity of needs. In past 4 years alone, delivered more than \$3 million in cost savings through vendor negotiations and additional \$1 million through system improvements. Superior record of delivering simultaneous large-scale, mission-critical projects on time and under budget.

***IT Strategic Planning / Business Solutions / Team Leadership / Budgeting / Project Management  
Capital Expenditure Planning / Contract Negotiations / Vendor Relations***

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### Professional Experience

**INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER**, Clinic Health System, Chicago, IL **XXXX - Present**

Recruited to upgrade and replace obsolete technologies at this world-class health care organization with more than 2000 users in 15 remote locations. Hire, train, develop, and lead a 20-person technical team. Manage a \$2 million capital budget and \$1.2 million operating budget. Scope of position is expansive and includes departmental direction and full design, installation, engineering, implementation, support, training, administration, and management authority for:

- LAN/WAN Network Services
- 24x7 Data Center Computer Operations
- Applications Systems
- Web/Internet Design & Operations
- PC Desktop Systems
- UNIX Systems Administration
- Database Administration
- Help Desk Operations

Spearheaded transition from outdated organization-wide and departmental technologies to highly functional, streamlined, and cost-effective client-server technologies and business solutions that have dramatically improved efficiency, decreased expenses, and optimized data integrity and safety.

#### Key Projects & Achievements:

- Directed design and installation of the complete \$8 million LAN/WAN infrastructure. Utilized state-of-the-art technologies to provide network connectivity of disparate Mainframe, AS400, UNIX, Windows NT, Novell, and PC systems.
- Completed, in just 8 months -- 22 months ahead of schedule -- a complex \$15 million project forecasted to take 2.5 years and involving replacement of more than 30 systems.
- Delivered \$2 million in cost savings through aggressive negotiation of contracts and pricing on a budgeted \$10 million for hardware/software purchases and consulting services.
- Saved more than \$1.2 million in technical consulting fees by negotiating complimentary network design services from vendors.
- Performed the work of 3 FTEs, slashing labor expenses an estimated \$150,000 annually by expanding personal responsibility to include UNIX, network, and database administration.
- Decreased inventory, application pricing, and licensing expenses \$750K by establishing standardization for applications, PC desktops, and networking systems.

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**INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER**, XXXX - Present, continued

- Managed from planning through completion, a \$2.4 million Windows NT workstation and network printer implementation project. Delivered on time and \$600K under budget.
- Attained consistent 99% up time by implementing disaster recovery and fault tolerance plans. Instituted the first highly reliable corporate-wide, centralized backup system.
- Championed introduction of Internet/Intranet/Web technology, corporate-wide email, shared calendaring, and online meetings. Set up and managed a TCP/IP environment, installed a Novell network and implemented a data warehouse database.
- Collaborated on numerous management committees including the Systems Application Selection Team, Chair of the Network, Operations, and Security Team, and the Y2K Implementation Team.

**NETWORK MANAGER**, Stillings Inc., Akron, OH

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Managed and delivered ahead of schedule, a nationwide, \$10 million+ network project involving development of a fully-redundant credit verification system. Administered a multi-server LAN supporting Novell, UNIX, and Unisys systems, and supported 2000 users in 850 remote sites.

**DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES**, ProComp U.S.A., Inc., Cleveland, OH

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Built and managed Information Systems, Technical Support, Production, and Repair Departments for this start up Novell Reseller and PC manufacturing firm. Supervised staff, oversaw computer operations, and managed budgets. Saved \$2 million the first year by renegotiating manufacturing contracts and relocating production to reduce costs and improve shipping schedules. Developed and trained a team to provide support to a culturally diverse international customer base.

**COMPUTER TECHNICIAN**, MTI Systems, Beachwood, OH

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**SENIOR SYSTEMS SUPPORT SPECIALIST**, A.B. Dick Company, Brecksville, OH

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## Education & Credentials

**AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF COMPUTER SCIENCE** – Chicago, IL  
B.S. candidate in Computer Science, completed 3 years of study

**TOTAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE** – Chicago, IL  
**Computer Systems Support Certification** - Intensive 2 year program

**Technical Certifications:**

- **MCSE** - Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer
- **CNE** - Novell Certified NetWare Engineer
- **CCNA** - Cisco Certified Networking Associate
- **CNA** - Novell Certified NetWare Administrator

**Recent Technical Training:**

- Cisco Router Programming & Internetworking
- Network Administration for UNIX Systems
- ATM - Asynchronous Transfer Mode
- Windows NT 4.0 Network Administration
- AIX UNIX Advanced System Administration
- Cisco Enterprise Management Solutions
- Bay Networks - TCP/IP, SNMP, FDDI
- EDI - Electronic Data Interchange
- Windows 95 Support
- Windows NT 4.0 Technical Support
- Internet Information Server
- SQL Server 6.5 Database Administration

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