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Curriculum Vitae

President	Mid-America Union Conference	2015-Present
<i>Board Chair</i>	<i>AdventHealth Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2017-Present</i>
<i>Trustee</i>	<i>AdventHealth Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2002-2017</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>AdventHealth Audit Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>AdventHealth Compensation Committee</i>	<i>2017-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>AdventHealth Compensation Committee</i>	<i>2015-2017</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>AdventHealth Finance Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>AdventHealth Mission, Ministry & Advancement</i>	<i>2017-Present</i>
<i>Vice Chair</i>	<i>AdventHealth Shawnee Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2017-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Adventist-laymen's Services & Industries Operating Board</i>	<i>2013-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>AdventSource Board of Directors</i>	<i>2018-Present</i>
<i>Vice-Chair</i>	<i>AdventSource Board of Directors</i>	<i>2018-Present</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>AdventSource Board of Directors</i>	<i>2015-2018</i>
<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Andrews University Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2013-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Andrews University Spiritual Life Committee</i>	<i>2013-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>ADRA Board of Directors</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>BMTE Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Center for Youth Evangelism Camporee Board</i>	<i>2002-Present</i>
<i>Ex-officio Member</i>	<i>Central States Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Christian Record Services, Inc. Board of Directors</i>	<i>2010-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Christian Record Services, Inc. Outreach Ministries Committee</i>	<i>2018-Present</i>
<i>Ex-officio Member</i>	<i>Dakota Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Faith for Today Board of Directors</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>General Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>General Conference Audit Committee</i>	<i>2016-Present</i>
<i>Ex-officio Member</i>	<i>Iowa-Missouri Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Jesus 101 Board of Directors</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Ex-officio Member</i>	<i>Kansas-Nebraska Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>La Esperanza Board of Directors</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Board Advisor</i>	<i>Loma Linda University Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2016-Present</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Loma Linda University Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2015-2016</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Mid-America Union Board of Education</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Mid-America Union Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Ex-officio Member</i>	<i>Minnesota Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>North American Division Board of Education</i>	<i>2009-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>North American Division Executive Committee</i>	<i>2001-Present</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>North American Division Compensation Committee</i>	<i>2013-Present</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>North American Division President's Council</i>	<i>2015-Present</i>

Member	North American Division NADOUP	2013-Present
Trustee	Oakwood University Board of Trustees	2015-Present
Member	Oakwood University Mission, Enrollment Services & Retention	2015-Present
Trustee	Centura Health Porter Adventist Hospital Board of Trustees	2019-Present
Ex-officio Member	Rocky Mountain Conference Executive Committee	2015-Present
Invitee	Union College Academic Committee	2015-Present
Invitee	Union College Audit Committee	2015-Present
Chair	Union College Board of Trustees	2015-Present
Invitee	Union College Finance Committee	2015-Present
Member	Union College Governance Committee	2015-Present
Invitee	Union College Master Planning Committee	2015-Present
Board Member	Voice of Prophecy Board of Directors	2015-Present

Executive Secretary Lake Union Conference 2013-2015

Board Member	AdventHealth Corporate Responsibility Board	2014-2015
Board Member	Adventist Midwest Health Board of Trustees	2013-2015
Ex-officio Member	Illinois Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015
Ex-officio Member	Indiana Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015
Ex-officio Member	Lake Region Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015
Secretary	Lake Union Conference Board of Education	2013-2015
Board Member	Lake Union Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015
Chair	Lake Union Conference Mission-driven Schools Committee	2013-2015
Ex-officio Member	Michigan Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015
Advisory Board Member	Philanthropic Service for Institutions	2010-2015
Ex-officio Member	Wisconsin Conference Executive Committee	2013-2015

- Provided leadership to Commission Culture Union-wide evangelistic initiative
- Coordinated Union-wide ministries advisories
- Provided leadership for Lake Union Ministerial Department
- Oversaw Lake Union Human Resources Department
- Coordinated Lake Union Administrative and Departmental Reviews
- Coordinated spiritual retreat for Lake Union conference administrators

President Rocky Mountain Conference 2009-2013

Chair	Campion Academy Committee	2009-2013
Board Member	Eden Valley Institute Executive Board	2009-2013
Advisory Board Member	Navajo Ministries (MAUC, PUC, SWUC)	2011-2013
Trustee	Centura Health Porter Adventist Hospital Board of Trustee	2009-2013
Member	Rocky Mountain Board of Education	2009-2013
Chair	Rocky Mountain Executive Committee	2009-2013
Member	Union College Academic Committee	2009-2013
Trustee	Union College Board of Trustees	2009-2013

- Oversaw and provided leadership for the 126-plus congregations in the Rocky Mountain Conference, which includes approximately 17,000-plus members
- Strengthened financial position of conference by eliminating \$700,000 deficit to achieve a balanced budget.

- Led the collaboration of Executive Committee, office staff, pastors, teachers and laity to ascertain core values and develop a conference-wide strategy to fulfill mission, provide leadership development, grow healthy churches, and strengthen Seventh-day Adventist education.
- Provided support for three new church plants in the Denver Metro area.
- Spearheaded initiative to encourage New Testament Church unity principles.
- Initiated the Kaléo Project, a youth evangelism ministry, projected to have 50-plus students present evangelistic meetings in 2013.
- Encouraged and supported the development of distance learning networks within the conference for shared teaching
- Provided technology for multi-church districts to enable simultaneous live streaming of worship services.
- Implemented a weekly electronic newsletter from the president's desk for constituents.
- Supported Abundant Blessings and Abundant Living initiatives
- Initiated the Awaken Wyoming three-year church renewal and evangelistic project

President	Indiana Conference	2002-2009
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Indiana Conference Board of Education</i>	<i>2002-2009</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Indiana Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2002-2009</i>

- Strengthened financial position of conference by eliminating \$600,000 deficit to achieve a balanced budget.
- Strengthened the academy's financial position and saw a 28 percent increase in enrollment.
- Developed a cooperative partnership with Andrews University's dairy program to enable Indiana Academy to maintain the only working farm among NAD secondary schools.
- Supported major capital improvement projects at Timber Ridge Camp, which included an open-air gymnasium, a guest lodge, renovated bath house and lake access staircase
- Implemented Mission: INPossible, a year-long missionary opportunity for young adults in areas of church growth, youth ministry and evangelism
- Partnered with Adventist Health System F.A.C.E.S. program to implement Indiana Healthy Choices initiative for community outreach
- Developed partnership with Adventist Midwest Health to provide a C.N.A. training program at Indiana Academy

President	Northern New England Conference	2000-2002
<i>Trustee</i>	<i>Atlantic Union College Board of Trustees</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Northern New England Conference Board of Education</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Northern New England Conference Executive Committee</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Parkview Adventist Medical Center Executive Board</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Pinetree Academy Executive Committee</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>

- Worked with Parkview Board and Pine Tree Academy to bring needed structural changes to be viable.
- Supported four new church plants, including establishing an Indonesian ministry.

Assistant to the President	Michigan Conference	2000
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Youth/Family Min. Director	Michigan Conference	1995-2000
<i>Director: Camp Au Sable</i>		

