

Alex McKenna

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

5+ years of experience leading cross-functional teams and building partnerships within the Department of Defense (DOD) and beyond. Innovative problem solver with the ability to think analytically while managing the execution of multiple projects in a fast-paced environment. Passionate about meeting clients' needs and learning new skills. Seeking growth and mentorship while contributing to a purpose driven organization.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Master of Science in Real Estate (MSRE), University of Washington | On-going | Winter 2021 Graduation

Financial Management Captain's Career Course (FMCCC), Department of Defense | June 2018

Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting (Cum Laude), Gonzaga University | May 2014

EXPERIENCE

Assistant Asset Manager, Farrell Property Investments, Burien, WA (August 2019 – January 2020)

- Oversaw the re-financing of three loans valued in excess of \$80 million; collaborated with a team of lawyers, financiers, and real estate professionals to close all three loans on tight deadlines.
- Created models to analyze profitability and reviewed budgets for a \$270 million real estate portfolio.
- Worked with project engineer to implement quality assurance procedures during the construction of a 107 unit apartment complex, *The LeeAnn*, in South Lake Union; resulted in the timely completion of over 1,000 "punch-list" items by sub-contractors.

Senior Financial Manager, 10th Airborne Division, Ft. Campbell, KY (July 2018 – August 2019)

- Directly managed \$42 million budget; developed and executed budget proposals which met the requirements of over 4,400 customers, while nesting with the Executive VP's strategic priorities.
- Leveraged interpersonal skills to build lasting partnerships with DOD and State Department agencies in Europe and Africa to support the funding of organization's simultaneous projects in 11 countries.
- Led a cross-functional team to conduct on-going evaluations of the organization's financial controls; streamlined systems which ensured the disbursement of over \$300,000 in delinquent payments.
- Developed program to train end users of the organization's supply chain on proper procedures and use of DOD acquisition software; resulted in a \$7.4 million reduction in equipment shortfalls.

Chief Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Ft. Bragg, NC (November 2016 – January 2018)

- Selected to join the elite Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) and hand-picked over eight more senior managers to serve as the Chief Operations Officer for an organization of 150.
- Developed and communicated a proposal for the manpower, facilities, policies, and financing necessary to meet a mission requirement which was approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the DOD.
- Led a cross-functional team of seven senior DOD project managers; collaborated with numerous intergovernmental agencies to meet the medical, equipment, and training requirements needed to safely deploy over 400 personnel annually in support of SECDEF and POTUS strategic priorities.

- Planned, marketed, and led a team of 82 volunteers to host the 2017 JSOC Youth Triathlon; resulted in the participation of 205 youth (18 and under) competitors and their families while raising over \$6,000 in support of community programs.

Supervisor/Project Manager, 82nd Airborne Division, Ft. Bragg, NC (July 2014 – November 2016)

- Selected over seven project managers to lead a specialty team of 18 personnel; conducted quarterly counseling sessions with team members, maintained personnel records, and reported weekly to senior management on the status of the team's medical, equipment, and training readiness.
- Developed systems and trained team on proper maintenance procedures which directly contributed to 50% increase in the serviceability of over \$5 million worth of vehicles and equipment.
- Displayed extreme mission focus and developed expertise leading teams under the most demanding conditions by graduating the United States Army Ranger School.

AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- Recipient of the 2014 Gonzaga University Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) ***"Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Tom Williams Leadership Excellence Award"***.
- Graduated with a rank of two out of 45 Officers at the Infantry Basic Officer Leadership Course, earning the status of ***"Distinguished Military Graduate"***.
- Graduated the United States Army Ranger School; ranked by peers as number one of a 12-person team and was awarded the coveted ***"Ranger Tab"***.
- Received both the ***"Joint Service Achievement Medal"*** and ***"Joint Service Commendation Medal"*** for exceptional performance while serving as Chief Operations Officer at JSOC.
- Received the ***"Army Commendation Medal"*** for outstanding performance while serving as a Senior Financial Manager in the 101st Airborne Division.