
Profile

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Length of Residency - please select one. *

1 to 5 years

Do you own or represent a business in Clearwater?

Yes No

If yes, where is the business located? Do you conduct business with the City?

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Pension Investment Committee: Submitted

Semi Retired _____ Divisional CFO - S&P Dow _____
Employer Job Title

Occupation - If retired, enter former occupation.

Divisional CFO

Have you served or do you serve on a board in Clearwater?

Yes No

If yes, please list the name of the board.

Why do you wish to serve on this board/committee? If seeking reappointment, state why you should be reappointed.

I believe my in-depth understanding of finance and accounting would be an asset to the Committee. Defined benefit plans are a key component to help participants reach their financial planning goals. My background would help the committee find the right balance of risk and return.

What personal qualifications can you bring to this board or committee?

CPA with in-depth understanding of investment options, particularly in the passive index space. I worked for 21 years at S&P Global in NYC including 8 as the divisional CFO of S&P Dow Jones Indices the world's largest index provider and 4 years at S&P Ratings the worlds largest rating agency.

List Community Activities

Substitute teacher in the Pinellas County school district.

[Jack Connolly Resume Final w_dts.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts. (Optional)

Ethnicity

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender

Male

07/28/1963

Date of Birth

The City of Clearwater strives to promote diversity and provide reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities. If you are requesting accommodation, please indicate below:

By clicking on "I Agree," below, I affirm that the information above is true and correct, and that I understand and agree to the responsibilities and commitment of time associated with an appointment to a Clearwater advisory board or committee.

I Agree

All material submitted to the City of Clearwater is subject to the public records law of the State of Florida including Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

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FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP

CONSULTING | FINANCIAL OPERATIONS | FP&A | COST MANAGEMENT | COMPLIANCE

Business Unit CFO with expertise providing highly effective financial and operational leadership for global companies.

- **CPA, Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA), Certified QuickBooks expert** with executive level presence and demonstrated ability to lead an organization through highly volatile and rapidly changing business and industry challenges.
- **Exemplary leadership, communication and interpersonal skills** with extensive experience communicating to all organizational levels.
- **Comprehensive understanding of financial management**, with specific expertise in Capital Markets, Equities, Fixed Income, Indexing, Information Services, Media and Construction.
- **Combines finance, accounting and audit background** into a unique ability to translate financial information into actionable results.

SKILLS / EXPERTISE

- Talent Management and Organizational Design
- Global Financial Leadership
- Strategic and Financial Planning
- Joint Ventures
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Intellectual Property and Index Management
- Systems Analysis and Design
- Operational Analysis / Management
- Strategic and Financial Planning
- Accounting and Financial Reporting
- Compensation and Sales Planning
- Cost Management
- Risk Management
- Captive Outsourcing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clifton Larson Associates, LLC, Tampa, FL (2020-2022)

Consulting & Accounting Solutions Team – Engagement Director

Providing consulting and accounting services to a variety of publicly traded and non-profit entities. Projects include financial department assessments, benchmarking, interim controller role and compliance support.

S&P GLOBAL, New York, NY (1998-2019)

S&P Ratings – Sr. Dir. Corporate, Financial and Infrastructure Ratings (2015-2019)

Drove analysis and reporting of a \$3B revenue business to support revenue growth by implementing sophisticated business intelligence models.

- Implement Salesforce, Zuora, Oracle order-to-cash ERP system.
- Upgrade and realign finance team, improving business performance and supporting decision making.
- Implemented global issuance analysis tools to using Alteryx and Tableau to understand revenue drivers and identify new revenue opportunities.

S&P Dow Jones Indices – Business Unit CFO (2007-2015)

Provided comprehensive financial oversight and strategic leadership for highest growth, highest margin business within S&P Global. Financial leader of the world's largest index company with 2015 revenues of \$600 million. Revenues were approximately \$200 million upon joining. Reported directly to the JV CEO and S&P Global CFO.

- Formed joint venture with Dow Jones (formerly owned by CME Group) seamlessly integrating a \$100 million revenue company and eliminating \$15 million of annual costs.
- Delivered expert strategic advice and proactive solutions for multiple product lines including Exchange Traded Funds, Data Products, Exchange Traded and OTC Derivatives.
- Led, cultivated and expanded a finance team of 15 to support global operations.

- Served on the executive management team of 10, analyzing operations, investment opportunities and implementing plans to drive growth. Quoted in a Harvard Business Review case study.
- Formed a joint venture with the Bombay Stock Exchange, generating first year revenues in excess of \$1 million after setting up a captive-outsourcing operation. Hired and developed the supporting finance team.
- Managed financial planning, reporting, financial analysis, compensation planning, outsourcing, risk management, acquisition analysis and execution.

Aviation Week - Director, Finance (2001-2007)

Tapped to head up financial management and operations of a \$50 million revenue business focused on the Aerospace and Defense Industry that produced news, trends, analytics and events.

- Led financial planning and risk management. Refined the digital strategy to focus on data and analytics. Worked with and reported to Tom Hendricks, a four-time space shuttle astronaut.
- Launched high margin information products that exceeded financial targets.
- Achieved 100% growth in operating profits after championing comprehensive restructuring effort in spite of unprecedented industry turmoil after September 11, 2001.

Corporate Finance - Director, Risk Assessment (2000-2001)

Recruited by the Corporate CFO to lead the global implementation of a new integrated risk management program.

- Designed training programs to support the initiative. Conducted live training for 350+ accounting and finance professionals in NY, London, Singapore and India to ensure assessments were completed on time and in a comprehensive manner.
- Developed and implemented a web site that collected global assessment information.
- Achieved Sarbanes-Oxley requirements, 12 months ahead of mandated requirements.

Corporate Finance - Corporate Audit Manager (1998-2000)**ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE****DEGUSSA CORPORATION (1990-1994)**

A Global Chemical Manufacturing company based in Frankfurt, Germany.

KPMG (1986-1990)

Assurance function with a focus on manufacturing clients.

EDUCATION / CERTIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Science, BS, Accounting, MONTCLAIR STATE COLLEGE

CPA, State of New Jersey

Certified Information Systems Auditor

Certified QuickBooks Expert

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Montclair State University, Guest Lecturer

Internship Sponsor, Red Bank Catholic Business School

Sponsor and Donor, Building Homes for Heroes