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# **Brief**

Over a decade of experience leading and growing creative teams to partner with the world's best brands from startups to the Fortune 100, NGOs to world governments—directing human-centered visual content that builds resilient relationships between brands and consumers.

## Clients Include

Starbucks, Microsoft, Xbox, Amazon, BMW, Nike, ABinBev, Google, Coca Cola, Cummins, Netflix, Citi, JPMorgan Chase, Johnson & Johnson, AstraZeneca, and The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

## **Professional Experience**

2021 - present

### **Creative Director, Copy,** *Material* □

Manage and lead a team of copywriters, visual designers, art directors, associate creative directors, and motion designers, directing B2B and B2C creative engagements for Fortune 500 brands. Contribute to agency-wide integration efforts as part of a divisional leadership team.

- Increased my team's headcount by 20% and organically grew the team as Material's creative content studio, the agency's go-to source of expertise for creative content and visual design.
- Strengthened agency relationships with key accounts in the technology and healthcare verticals, leading to a 600%+ increase in average project **budgets**
- Partnered with teams spanning brand strategy, research, psychology, CX, innovation, loyalty, and more to create and operationalize a branded design system for Material's proprietary brand health assessment framework, the Material Fidelity™ Model □.

2018 - 2021

#### **Creative Director, Partner,** *Killer Visual Strategies* □

Directed the integration of a 30-person legacy agency, alongside eleven other agencies, in the formation of Material, a 1,400-person global digital transformation and CX innovation agency.

- Led change management efforts post-acquisition to integrate the agency and key service offerings, helping unite 1,400 employees across 11 cities.
- Drove **70%+ YoY revenue growth** for the business unit.
- Exceeded 2021 business unit revenue target by 20%.

2016 - 2018

#### **Creative Director,** *Killer Visual Strategies*

Operationalized the agency's full suite of creative offerings while spearheading the development of new capabilities.

- Charged with hiring, training, managing, and providing direction to the agency's full creative team resulting in a **six-year average employee tenure**, well above the industry-average of six months.
- Partnered with CEO to cultivate a refreshed agency POV on visual communications and content design, supporting highly successful thought leadership initiatives and content marketing that led to an average inbound lead flow of 10 new leads per week.
- Supported negotiations, vetting, and sale of the business contributing to a **significant multiple of EBITDA valuation**.

2012 - 2016

**Sr Content Writer & Digital Producer,** *Killer Visual Strategies*Created, launched, and operationalized the agency's motion graphics design offering, growing it to **50% of agency revenue** within two years.

- Produced, directed, and wrote 40+ video projects per year.
- Directed designers, animators, voiceover talent, sound designers, and composers—both in-house and freelance.
- Operationalized new business development work streams.

2011 - 2012

#### **Copywriter & Digital Producer,** *Shep Films* □

Developed key messaging strategies and supported clients and production teams through all phases of production, from concept development to execution and post-production.

- Supported developmental script edits and production for SHEP Films' first short, "In The Pines." **Accepted to SXSW 2012 Film Festival**.
- Supported developmental script edits, prop fabrication, and production for SHEP Film's second short, "Prospect." Accepted to SXSW 2014 Film Festival.

## **Additional Activities**

- Member of the Board of Advisors, Tombolo Institute at Bellevue College, Design Thinking Program
- Guest lecturer, Seattle Pacific University
- Guest lecturer, The Downtown School

#### Education

2005 - 2009

**English Literature & Creative Writing, Honors,** Seattle Pacific University