



Eric Nielsen

A results oriented, creative financial problem solver with a proven record of success in the not-for-profit and for-profit sectors. During a lengthy career, Eric has led the financial aspects of over several complex amalgamations, consolidations, mergers and acquisitions. He has overseen the management and growth of several multi-million-dollar investment portfolios. With sound strategic advice, strong leadership and wise counsel Eric keeps organizations on a solid financial footing.

SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

- Provided financial leadership in the amalgamation of Make-A-Wish Foundation of Canada and Children's Wish Foundation of Canada involving nine accounting systems with nine different year ends.
- Provided financial leadership on the IPO team for PC Doc Group International, a North American software manufacturer, allowing their shares to be traded on Nasdaq and the TSE.
- Coordinated the evaluation and selection of investment managers and oversaw the management of multi-million dollar investment portfolios at Make-A-Wish Foundation of Canada achieving average growth of over 12% per year.
- Led the implementation of a new robust ERP charity/not for profit accounting system Financial Edge at four organizations.
- Effectively communicates and presents critical financial matters with recommendations to leadership teams, finance and audit committees, and boards of directors.

PRIOR EXPERIENCE

- The Osborne Group
 - Make-A-Wish Foundation of Canada/Children's Wish Foundation of Canada
 - Interim Vice President, Finance and Operations/CFO
- University of St. Michael's College - Interim Director of Finance
- University of Toronto Schools - Interim Controller
- Art Gallery of Hamilton - Director of Finance, Administration and Human Resources/CFO
- Starlight Children's Foundation - Director of Finance/CFO
- New Age Accounting - VP Finance and Administration/CFO

QUALIFICATIONS

- CPA, CGA
- Accounting and Finance Diploma - Seneca College
- Treasurer, Board of Directors - Toronto North Support Services

