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**EXECUTIVE LEVEL PROFESSIONAL** with substantial experience in agency leadership, executive interaction, legislative initiatives, community issues, city planning, budgeting and information systems.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**STATE OF MARYLAND - GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**  
**Executive Director (January 2007 - present)**  
**GOVERNOR'S INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**Director (April 2008 – present)**

Senior staff to Governor Martin O'Malley. Coordinates community and volunteer activities statewide and advises the Governor on policies to enhance and improve community programs. Also oversee the work of the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism, Volunteer Maryland and community affairs services within the Executive Branch of Maryland government.. Coordinate outreach to ethnic communities across Maryland. Serve as a representative on the state's Emergency Operations Center.

Supervision of all staff and functions. Functional responsibilities include, but not limited to the following:

- ⇒ Participant Member of the Governor's Cabinet
- ⇒ Lead outreach person to Maryland's 157 municipalities (Mayors) and 23 counties (County Executives, Board of County Commissioners, County Councils).
- ⇒ Coordinate the activities of many large state agencies
- ⇒ Oversee the allocation of Maryland's AmeriCorps Program
- ⇒ Oversee the functional operations of six ethnic and cultural commissions
- ⇒ Governor's direct coordinator for four independent agencies: 1) Maryland Public Television, 2) Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority, 3) Historic St. Mary's City Commission and 4) State Archives.
- ⇒ Representing and speaking on behalf of Governor Martin O'Malley at public events.

**BALTIMORE CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE- MAYOR'S OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOODS**  
**Director (March 2001 - January 2007)**

Direct appointment of Mayor Martin O'Malley to create a new department (Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods) and also to be its director. Its mission is to ensure that city government is an effective partner with communities in improving the quality of life in neighborhoods through government and community partnerships

Supervision of all staff and functions. Functional responsibilities include, but not limited to the following:

- ⇒ Member of the Mayor's Cabinet
- ⇒ Chairperson of the Mayor's Neighborhood Cabinet (providing direct instruction to all implementation agencies)
- ⇒ Oversee the operations and budget of the Mayor's Office of Cable and Communications
- ⇒ Representing and speaking on behalf of Mayor Martin O'Malley at public events.
- ⇒ Overseeing the work program of the Mayor's Neighborhood Liaisons
- ⇒ Overseeing the work program the Mayor's outreach units to ethnic communities (Hispanic, Korean, Jewish, Muslim)
- ⇒ Oversee the work program of the Mayor's Gay & Lesbian Task Force
- ⇒ Overseeing the Mayor's Operation Crime Watch unit
- ⇒ Administration of the BALTIMORE BELIEVE campaign
- ⇒ Member of the Planning Director Search Committee

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (continued):****BALTIMORE COUNTY GOVERNMENT-OFFICE OF PLANNING****Deputy Director (May 1997-February 2001)****Division Chief of Capital Budgeting/Division Chief of Information Systems (August 1996-April 1997)**

Supervision of all divisions in the agency. Representing the Agency Director in his absence. Preparation of the agency's \$3.1 million operating budget. Responsible for all administrative and personnel matters.

Functional responsibilities are diverse and include, but not limited to the following:

- ⇒ Develop capital budget (over \$300 million annually) and six-year plan (over \$1 billion) for County agencies as mandated by County Charter and Code.
- ⇒ Supervision and related administrative responsibilities for all planning divisions.
- ⇒ Oversee the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) function for the Office of Planning.
- ⇒ Administer adequate facilities strategy (e.g. development controls).
- ⇒ Implemented a Local Area Network (LAN) for the Office of Planning

**BALTIMORE CITY GOVERNMENT-DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING****Division Manager of Capital Improvement Programming (July 1991-July 1996)****City Planner Supervisor (February 1990-June 1991)****City Planner III - Capital Improvement Programming (March 1988-January 1990)****City Planner II - Economic Development (November 1983-February 1988)****City Planner I - Air Quality (January 1982-October 1983)**

Member of the department's management staff. Provide management and technical leadership with critical emphasis in capital programming, meeting demanding time constraints and sensitive political considerations. Functional responsibilities are diverse and include, but not limited to the following:

- ⇒ Develop capital budget (over \$200 million annually) and six-year plan (over \$1 billion) for all City agencies as mandated by City Charter.
- ⇒ Prepare the City's legislative loan program each year
- ⇒ Coordinate the annual bond issues campaign.
- ⇒ Monitor the implementation of capital improvement projects throughout Baltimore City and publish summaries of the Mayor's Project Activity Report and the Mayor's Capital Project Priority Report.
- ⇒ Supervision and related administrative responsibilities for professional planning staff.

**BALTIMORE CITY GOVERNMENT-HEALTH DEPARTMENT****Sanitarian (November 1980-January 1982)**

Duties were to review plans and layouts for new commercial establishments, providing revisions and authorizing final approval of applications. This involved inspectional, educational and investigational duties in the environmental health field.

**BALTIMORE CITY GOVERNMENT- MAYOR'S OFFICE****Research Assistant (March 1980-November 1980)**

Assignment in the Mayor's Office of Telecommunications. Duties included coordination of the task force activities of the Mayoral appointed Baltimore City Cable Television Commission. Provided Commission with current information and abstracts of studies related to the development and feasibility of cable television in Baltimore City.

**EDUCATION:**

- ⇒ Master of Arts, Geography & Environmental Planning, Towson State University, June 1981.
- ⇒ Bachelor of Science, Geography & Environmental Planning, Towson State University, June 1979.

**HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- \* American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), May 15, 1993, Certificate # 10243
- \* Presented the distinction of Fellow with the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance authorized by the University of Maryland's Institute for Governmental Service, the Local Government Insurance Trust, the Maryland Association of Counties and the Maryland Municipal League November 2002.
- \* Recipient of the National Association of Counties' (NACO) Multicultural Diversity Award for extraordinary outreach to ethnic communities. This prestigious award is cosponsored by the Women Officials in NACo (WON), the National Association of Black County Officials (NABCO), and the National Association of Hispanic County Officials (NAHCO), 2005
- \* Board of Trustees, Greenmount School, 2009
- \* Faculty Advisor, Morgan State University, Institute of Architecture and Planning, Graduate City and Regional Planning Program, August 1995 to present
- \* Member of Governor Martin O'Malley's Transition Team Fall 2006/Winter 2007
- \* Member of Mayor Martin O'Malley's Transition Team Fall 1999/Winter 2000
- \* Employee Recognition Award 1996 - Baltimore City Department of Planning
- \* Professional Achievement Award - American Planning Association, Maryland Chapter, 1994
- \* Mayoral Citation - Outstanding Public Service, May 1991
- \* Mayoral Citation - Dedicated Community Service, December 1999
- \* Mayoral Citation - Outstanding Contribution to Transition Process, February 2000
- \* President's Citation - Outstanding Community Service, January 1991
- \* Baltimore City Planning Commission Citation - Outstanding Service, June 1996
- \* President, Dickeyville Community Association, January 1998 to January 2000
- \* Vice-President, Dickeyville Community Association, January 1996 to December 1997
- \* American Institute of Certified Planners Examination Preparation Class Instructor
- \* Professional Development Officer, Maryland Chapter of the American Planning Association, 1999
- \* Treasurer - Pen Lucy Community Association (January 1992- December 1992)
- \* Loeb Fellowship Nomination, Harvard University School of Design, November 1988.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- \* Maryland Chapter of the American Planning Association.
- \* American Institute of Certified Planners

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