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## Work

## **Career Highlights**

- Built a 30-person creative department, including new hires, career paths, organizational structures, service offerings, pricing models, and project management and production systems
- Led new business pitches to secure +\$8M in revenue
- Scaled agency design department by 500% in 5 years
- Led the rebranding of Walker Sands, including brand positioning, visual and verbal identity design and activation across marketing channels

#### Walker Sands

#### Vice President, Creative Director March 2021 - Present

Lead 12-person creative team, including designers, copywriters, social media strategists, digital content strategists, with a focus on integrated marketing campaigns, organic social media and web

- New business: Develop creative marketing strategy, concepts, pricing and project plans to inform new business proposals
- Creative: Concept and execute integrated campaigns, web, video and photography projects from brief development through production
- Operations: Define and optimize creative processes to ensure quality, drive results and sustain account profitability
- Management: Utilization management, resourcing, mentorship and coaching for a team of 12 creatives

#### Creative Director August 2019 - March 2021

Led a team of 15 creatives with a focus on branding, integrated marketing campaigns, organic social media and web

## Art Director January 2018 - August 2019

Managed 5 graphic and motion designers while overseeing all agency design operations (branding, web design, data reports, etc.)

Senior Designer July 2017 – January 2018

Designer May 2016 – July 2017

Associate Designer May 2015 – May 2016

# **Skills**

Creative direction, art direction, branding, advertising, web design, layout design, copywriting, data visualization, sales, team building, public speaking, process and systems development, marketing

# **School**

#### Loyola University Chicago

B.A., Advertising + Public Relations; B.A., French Language; Minor, Visual Communication; Minor, Marketing

Summa Cum Laude, 3.9 GPA