SALENA F. BURKE

Professional: JIL Software Solutions
Philanthropist: Jerome Burke Foundation
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Education:

Illinois Institute of Technology
Ph.D., Institute of Design, 2025

DePaul University
MS, Information System, 2021
MS, Computer Science, 2005

Loyola University Chicago
BA, Criminal Justice, 1999

Wilbur Wright College
AAS, Criminal Justice, 1996

Certification:

DePaul University
SQL Server Database Administration 2013

Core Skills:

Data Center Management	Vendor Management
Enterprise Architectures	Project Management
Budget & Cost Management	Process Improvement & Best Practices

Research:

Institute of Design – Illinois Institute of Technology
August 2022 – Present
Research in future technology and exploration of frameworks that enhances an equitable and inclusive immersive learning environment. The research is at the intersection of design, technology, and education.

Professional Experience:

Jerome Burke Foundation
President, 2019 to Present
Responsible for overseeing the administration, programs, and strategic planning for the 501(c)3 organization. Other duties include fundraising, marketing, community outreach, and managing day-to-day operations. Oversee and report on

the organization's results for the board of directors. Prepares accurate and timely analyses that capture and communicate fundraising results, variance, and performance needs. Retains a diverse and highly qualified staff of volunteers. Ensures that services and funding relationships are robust enough to meet or exceed strategic goals and objectives.

J.I.L Software Solutions, LLC
Chief Executive Officer, 2009 to Present

Manage all financial areas and oversee the operational aspects of the company. Maintain a great company culture, provide inspired leadership to the team, establish a great working relationship with employees, and set a course of company strategy. Assign and manage client's projects for the full life cycle of projects using an agile methodology. Manage internal IT Consultants. Specialize in the following services, Enterprise Development and Data Center Management.

Burke Business Center, LLC
Chief Executive Officer, 2005 to 2009

Created innovative marketing campaigns to increase company profile and profitability. Oversaw bookkeeping, payroll, and marketing activities. Interacted and negotiated vendor contracts to increase product profitability. Offered the following services to patrons and clients: Café and Retail Services, Business Services, Enterprise Development, Graphic Designing, Database Management, and Computer Training.

Compass Professional Services, LLC
IT Manager, 2000 to 2020

Oversee all IT functions including data center management, vendor relationship, technical support, and application development. Improved productivity and reduce costs through improved uses of technology.

Fremont Insurance Group
Sr. Software Developer, 1998 to 2000

Created and maintained a legal system using Visual Basic as the interface and SQL Server and Microsoft Access as the backend. Utilized DAO, ADO, OBDC, and VBScript. Resolved issues related to problems encountered while creating, retrieving, editing, and printing documents in a client/server environment. Troubleshoot software, hardware, and network problems. Used SMS to resolve issues for remote users. Trained users in Microsoft Office, Heat, Lotus Notes, and all new implementations. Image and configure new machines for deployment.