Proven leader in achieving operational excellence while increasing revenue by optimizing transformational strategic solutions, utilizing global resources and change management

- Instrumental in obtaining approval in \$6.4 Billion Acquisition of WGL Holdings (Washington Gas) from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia regulators through a strategic legislative and community outreach and engagement campaign.
- Effectively led a \$70 million division with over 900 employees and contractors globally including: Consumer Services, Information Technology, Business Process Outsourcing, Meter Reading, Back-Office Billing, Fleet and Transportation, Strategic Facilities, Accounts Payable, Supplier Diversity, and Supply Chain.
- Consolidated and streamlined organizations leveraging a global \$350 million, ten-year Business Process Outsourcing agreement, resulting in derive savings from \$51 million in lower capital expenditures and \$119 million in reduced operating expenses over the life of the contract.
- Gained a competitive advantage through technology and process improvements to increase Customer Satisfaction for 1.1 million customers from 70% to 90%.
- Constructed a state of the art \$74 million, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Certified Operations and Industrial Center, including one of the first Bloom Fuel Cells on the East Coast.

#### AREAS OF ABILITY & IMPACT

Acquisitions

**Business Process Improvement** 

**Business Process Outsourcing** 

Change Management

**Consumer Services** 

**Contingency Planning** 

**Economic Development** 

Globalization / Offshore Development

Leadership

Management

Natural Gas/Utilities

Procurement

**Public Affairs** 

Risk Management – Business & IT

Six Sigma Methodologies & Solutions

Strategic Alliances / Relationship Building Strategic Facilities

**Supplier Diversity** 

## Dedicated Leader, Mentor, & Team Builder

Proven leader with decisive, interactive, razor sharp business sense and motivational management style. Positive role model with uncompromising integrity and compelling desire to "make a difference."

#### **Facilitator of Organizational Change**

Transform perception, morale, and outlook of undervalued organizations into customer-focused, value-added vehicles for supporting and driving business. Hand-select talent within the organization to coach and serve as "change agents" for cross-functional teams.

# Expert Leader of Business Process Outsourcing — US & Global

Provide strategy and outsourced governance for mission-critical support services. Consistently successful in knowledge, process, and cultural transition.

# Well Versed in Public Affairs, Economic Development & Regulatory Environment

Established and executed public policy and revenue producing initiatives through effective legislative, regulatory, and economic development strategies

#### Technology Visionary & Strategist

Intensely creative with proven business acumen in partnering emerging technologies and enterprise-level strategies. Develop technical frameworks that optimize integration and support.

# **Leadership Career History**

#### Washington Gas – Springfield, VA.

August 2005 to present

Washington Gas is a regulated subsidiary of WGL Holdings, Inc., a public utility holding company, delivering natural gas to more than 1.1 million residential, commercial and industrial customers throughout Washington, DC, and the surrounding region.

### Vice President, Economic Development and Strategy

October 2018 - present

After successfully leading the strategic outreach and legislative campaign, ultimately receiving regulatory approval of the Washington Gas acquisition, my leadership experience focused on defining the strategy for economic development and revenue producing initiatives.

## Strategy

Defined and Implemented an 18-month strategic community outreach and legislative campaign that involved gaining critical 'buy-in' from key legislators and community advocates within a challenging regulatory environment in support of a \$6.4 Billion acquisition of Washington Gas by AltaGas, a Canadian based energy infrastructure company.

### **Economic Development**

 Developed programs and policies that aided in the infrastructure, meter and revenue growth by identifying specific Washington Gas projects and advocating for government policies that cleared the way for natural gas infrastructure system expansion.

#### **Public Affairs**

• Led the overall legislative strategy for three jurisdictions, including Virginia, Maryland, and Washington D.C. that resulted in approved legislation for a \$220 - \$300 million 30 to 40-year strategic accelerated infrastructure and enhancement replacement programs and associated cost recovery mechanisms.

#### **Vice President, Support Services**

March 2008 - Sept. 2018

Elected by the WGL Board of Directors to Officer within three years at Washington Gas to lead and optimize the support services operations through process improvements, cost reductions, value-added technology, and enhancing exceptional customer service.

#### **Consumer Services**

- Developed and implemented a Customer Experience Improvement Initiative with metrics tracked by the Board of Directors on the Washington Gas Corporate scorecard resulting in an increase in Customer Satisfaction for 1.1 million customers from 70% to 90% within a five-year period, despite negative outsourced sentiment environment.
- Leveraged technology to automate 99.8% meter reading, resulting in 40% staff reduction, 98.89% read accuracy and zero safety related injuries, within a 4-year period.
- Instituted strategy to increase residential customer satisfaction, resulting in a 3-year over year increase in J.D. Power score for Customer Service, ranking 5<sup>th</sup> in the large segment eastern region.
- Relocated customer walk-in centers to more convenient and metro-accessible locations with customer kiosk, increasing customer satisfaction and reducing wait-times by 50%.
- Serve as Executive sponsor for \$100 million transformational SAP Customer Information System initiative.

#### Washington Gas, continued

#### Supply Chain, Fleet & Transportation, Strategic Facilities Planning

- **Developed a new strategic sourcing strategy**, optimizing the Maintenance, Repair, Operations (MRO) and warehouse usage, resulting in an outsourced integrated supply model and savings of \$46 million.
- Responsible for the strategic facilities planning of acquisition, lease and disposition of real property assets and leases of 16 properties with a market value of \$242 million and 866,000 sq. ft.
- Created a diverse spend program elevating supplier diversity as a key metric on the Corporate Scorecard, increased certified diverse spend from 10% to 23%. Featured on the March/April cover of Minority Enterprise Advocate Magazine, "Excellence under Leadership: A Profile of Marcellous Frye Jr."
- Implemented a fleet management program for 640 service vehicles, saving over 29,000 gallons of fuel by converting and purchasing 30% Natural Gas Vehicles, enhancing the Washington Gas brand.

#### **Business Process Outsourcing**

- Established and led the outsourcing strategy and governance for Information Technology, Procurement, Consumer Services, and Human Resources towers with an annual budget of \$40 million, to modernize and enhance technology and leverage the most efficient and effective ways to deliver service to customers.
- Directed global back-office operations including: Call Center and Consumer Services Billing, Application Development and Maintenance contractors located in Manila, Philippines, and Information Technology Help Desk, and Network Administration teams located in Bangalore, India, and Emergency Dispatch and Correspondence teams located in Niagara, Canada.
- Successfully controlled the outsourcing costs of a \$350 million contract and on track to realize derive savings from \$51 million in lower capital expenditures and \$119 million in reduced operating expenses.

#### **Information Technology**

- **Developed the Enterprise-wide Information Technology strategy** for Washington Gas, optimizing technology for operations, implementing a PeopleSoft financials ERP system, and Work Management system.
- Enhanced the CyberSecurity program by restructuring global monitoring, upgrading the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) environment, and performing annual IT penetration test.
- Instituted and restructured the Project Management Office with a focus on process improvement, leveraging Six Sigma tools and techniques and creating IT business partners, resulting on average 95% ontime project delivery and 98% within budget for IT projects.

#### **Division Head of Information Technology**

July 2007 - March 2008

Promoted to lead the strategy for the Information Technology Division, following a major transformational BPO initiative that outsourced all major functions of Information Technology, creating an IT retained organization focused on governance, strategy, and enhanced delivery.

- Successfully led the transition of Washington Gas' IT infrastructure, network operations, and IT development
  and support functions to Accenture's ABSU (Accenture Business Services for Utilities) located internationally
  (Manila, Philippines and Bangalore, India).
- **Developed the overall IT policies and procedures** for enterprise-level IT projects, assets, resources, and auditing (Sarbanes/Oxley compliant) functions.
- Instrumental in driving change management and culture from a US centric footprint to a global Information Technology delivery model.

### Washington Gas, continued

#### **Director, Information Technology Application Development**

Aug. 2005 - June 2007

Recruited as a successor for the Chief Information Officer (CIO) of Washington Gas, and instituted General Electric 'best practices' such as Six Sigma and project management.

- Implemented an enterprise work request application that reduced cost and improved ability to map spending to current and planned business volumes, utilizing the most cost effective labor solutions.
- Integrated elements of Six Sigma Methodologies including risk mitigation, key metrics, SLA's and established an ITS Technology Advisory Council that served as a governing body for emerging technology evaluation and standards.
- Delivered over \$25 million in transformational IT capital projects on time and within budget, including building a SOA foundation leveraging reusability through XML and Web Services within an EAI framework.

#### GXS -Global Exchange Services (formerly a division of GE), Gaithersburg, MD. 2002 to July 2005

Leading eCommerce network services provider, specializing in supply chain management solutions for 60% of Fortune 500 corporations and smaller customers in 36 countries. GXS divested from General Electric at onset of the .com bubble

#### **VICE PRESIDENT – GLOBAL APPLICATION DELIVERY**

Senior technology leader, reporting directly to CIO, leading a global team in US, Europe, Asia, and India, responsible for planning, conceptualizing, and executing divisional IT vision and strategy in support of revenue generating activities, client engagements, internal operations, and financial reporting.

- Aided in \$800 million divestiture of GXS from GE Company, by high-level business integration, transition, reorganization, identification of synergies, and culture change.
- **Delivered \$1.2 million annualized cost savings** and enabled global development and support services by initiating and deploying IT offshore strategy developed, staffed, and managed GXS IT Development Center in Bangalore, India.
- **Delivered \$7 million in annual benefits (\$2 million over target)**, reduced monthly financial closing process by 70%, and enabled standardization of global financial reporting through successful implementation of Oracle ERP (financial system GL, AR, AP, purchasing, and fixed assets modules).
- Enabled \$1 million in productivity improvements, centralized and optimized asset utilization, ensured simplified software compliance processes, and streamlined asset tracking compliance by spearheading successful implementation of Peregrine's Asset Center. Project returned \$2 million in cost productivity and \$1 million through circuit optimization.

**GE – General Electric Company, GEIS – General Electric Information Services, Gaithersburg, MD** \$800 million Information Services division of Fortune 10 Enterprise, branded culture, diversified businesses, and global operations.

#### MANAGER – B2B ELECTRONIC COMMERCE SERVICES

1999 to 2002

Teamed with Director of eCommerce on high-level corporate initiative (vision / directive from CEO and SVP, Marketing) to launch breakthrough B2B products, focused on EDI solutions for global intelligent supply chain. Led team of 10 senior IT professionals, directed 15 contractors, controlled \$2 million budget, and managed technology development lifecycles.

- Credited with personal contributions, generating \$5.9 million in revenue, delivering \$3.9 million in bottom-line profit (YE 2000) and boosting GXS' global competitive position by managing strategic plan, technological development, and commercialization of GEGXS.net. Company's flagship B2B product.
- Slashed order-to-remittance cycle time by 80% through successful development delivered Alpha quality within 90 days (30 days under target) of secure online software-ordering web portal using emerging component-based architecture as eCommerce platform, RAD methodology, and Site Minder for authentication and authorization. (Patented Provision of Electronic Commerce Service)

#### INFORMATION MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

1997 to 1999

Recruited and hired into the prestigious competitive Information Management Leadership Program (IMLP) — a two-year intensive training and career development program focused on grooming high potential leaders in information technology, software development, leadership, and Six Sigma.

### **EDUCATION, BOARDS, AFFILIATIONS, & CERTIFICATIONS**

### **Education**

MS – Information Systems (with Honors), 1999, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, Washington, D.C.
BA – African American Studies, 1991, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND – BALTIMORE COUNTY, Catonsville, MD

#### **Boards**

**Board Chairman – Dance Institute of Washington**, The District of Columbia's largest premier African American Dance Theater

Maryland Chamber of Commerce, DC Chamber of Commerce, and Lead Va.

Trustee, Sandy Spring Museum, Sandy Spring, Maryland, 2009-2013

#### **Professional Affiliations**

**Greater Washington Board of Trade Alumni** - Premier business organization providing advocacy, research and programs for the Greater Washington area's business community

Upsilon PI Epsilon Computer Science Honor Society - American University

**Co-author of patent** (*Provision of Electronic Commerce Services*), GE diversity champion, and subject of feature article in *Diversity Careers*.

#### **Certifications**

Six Sigma Master Blackbelt Training - Certifications in Define / Measure / Analyze / Improve / Control