# Walter C. Ruppman

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#### **Profile:**

Management Entrepreneur <u>Information Technology</u> **Business** Executive Business Start up Business Process & Flow E-commerce Call Center Middle **Business Divestiture** System Analysis **Design Specifications** Customer Service Project Financial Operations Problem Research Direct Response Marketing Inventory Control Software Legal Dealer Locator Fulfillment Consulting Staffing Interactive Voice Response

## **Summary:**

- Manager with extensive information technology, database systems and data mining experience.
- Expertise in business start-up operations.
- Demonstrated achiever with exceptional knowledge of contact centers, order fulfillment services.
- Strong marketing and finance background and expertise in business to Internet integration.
- Skilled at communicating ideas clearly and effectively.

## **Accomplishments:**

- Founded, operated profitably for eighteen years, and closed Auditory Communications.
- Established inbound call center providing services for a wide array of clients.
- Revenue increased three fold while the number of employees remained constant.
- Conceived of and implemented the use of state of the art telephony and speech technology (Interactive Voice Response) to provide call center service.
- Directed major client integration projects that unlocked significant client savings.
- Developed an order solicitation system via fax that ranked first in orders received and lowest in cost per order as compared to all other methodologies.
- Designed a document digitization system to replace a micro film that improved service and reduced costs.

## **Professional Experience:**

2010 - Current Peoria Historical Society, Peoria, Illinois

**Executive Director** 

- Responsible for all day-to-day activities of professional staff and volunteers with primary focus on fund raising.
- Initiated innovative technology that will transform the organization for the future.

2008 – 2009 Peoria Symphony Orchestra, Peoria, Illinois

Chair of Music Director Search Committee

 Managed committee of board members, musicians, and community leaders in selection a music director.

2007 – 2008 Dimension Data, Peoria, Illinois

Global Engagement Manager

- Brought recognition of Dimension Data at the executive and upper management levels of Caterpillar.
- Opened new areas of opportunity for Dimension Data.

1989 – 2007 Auditory Communications Corporation, Peoria, Illinois

President

- Company founder of inbound call center providing a wide array of client and order fulfillment services
- Major clients include McGraw-Hill, Weight Watchers and John Deere Health Care.
- Expanded service to incorporate fax-on-demand, broadcast fax, Internet and web technology

## **Education:**

- Masters Degree in Business Administration University of Illinois, Executive Management Program, Urbana, Illinois
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics and Physics University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois

## **Memberships & Affiliations:**

- Past Secretary, Downtown Rotary Club of Peoria, Chair of the Scholarship Committee
- Member, Lakeview Museum of Art and Science Board of Directors
- Member, Peoria Symphony Orchestra Foundation Board
- Past President, Peoria Symphony Orchestra Board
- Past President, Board of Education District 52