LESLIE RICHARDSMARKETING CREATIVE

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SUMMARY:

Experienced leader in design and marketing service delivery. Excellent project management, team building and client communication skills. Interested in the role of design to communicate and further business objectives.

SKILLS:

- Creative Strategy
- Brand Voice
- Team Development
- Marketing Strategy
- Content Architecture
- Project Management
- Process Improvement
- Conversion Optimization

HUBSPOT CERTIFICATIONS:

- Inbound Marketing Certification
- Client Management Certification
- Content Marketing Certification

"Leslie is an outstanding leader, dedicated to the success of both her clients and her team. Her infinite patience and extensive industry knowledge make her a great mentor and manager. She genuinely cares about her team's morale, and labors tirelessly to build a rewarding professional environment. Working with someone of her caliber is a rare privilege in one's career and I feel quite fortunate to have had the opportunity to learn from Leslie.."

- From a former direct report

Creative Director - IQnection.com (a digital marketing agency) **Doylestown, PA 2005-Present**

As part of the management team, I have helped grow this organization from a design, development and hosting company with 5 staff members, to a digital agency of 16. We provide inbound content marketing, SEO, social media marketing, and design and development services. We serve a wide variety of clients in manufacturing, engineering, biotech, medical device manufacturing, ecommerce, and consumer businesses. I have launched over 1000 design and development projects with a wide range of requirements and customizations.

- Identify creative approach, key messaging, technical requirements and team assignments for client projects
- Manage client relationship, project milestones and project scope
- Initiate and implement process improvement throughout project teams
- Identify and onboard new technical solutions for higher productivity and stronger deliverables
- Mentor and support the marketing account management team
- Serve as the primary point of contact for high value clients and retainers

Website Producer - Films Media Group (an educational publishing company) **Princeton, NJ 2001-2005**

Responsible for the rebranding and launch of four websites carrying over 10,000 products and generating 3 million in revenue for this educational media producer.

- Supervised data feeds from ERP system to web sites
- Researched and produced website editorial features
- Created graphics and product features for all four sites
- Liaison between internal departments and outside vendors
- Managed development projects for front-end user features as well as back-end admin functionality
- Provided reporting as requested

Art Director – Edudex.com (an online community for educators) Princeton, NJ 2000-2001

Managed the equipment purchases and fulfilled staffing needs for the art department of this dot-com start-up specializing in educational content.

- Developed style guides for print and online creative
- Mentored junior artists
- Managed production scheduling
- Bought print for sheet-fed and web-fed press runs

Senior Designer - Films Media Group (an educational publishing company) **Princeton, NJ 1992-2000**

- Produced 4 color direct mail catalogs, collateral materials, video cassette and CD Rom packaging.
- Developed master documents for streamlined catalog design
- Included pre-press work and press run checks.

Graphic Designer – Design Unlimited (a boutique design studio) **Philadelphia, PA 1990-1992**

Clients included University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, School of Nursing, and the Morris Arboretum. Responsible for developing concepts, executing comps and mechanicals for brochures, annual reports and newsletters.