



Sara Pettes McWilliams Executive Search

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Biography

Sara Pettes McWilliams is an executive search consultant specializing in all areas of Human Resources, Learning, and Organizational Development. During almost 20 years of search experience, she has served a broad set of industries. These include professional services, financial services, health-care, pharmaceutical, diversified manufacturing, and consumer products.

Partnering with organizations ranging from global Fortune 50 corporations to entrepreneurial ventures, Sara's commitment to long-term relationships with her clients has enabled her to provide targeted HR/HRD search and consulting capabilities to serve a wide array of client needs. At any given time, at least 80% of her assignments are with clients with whom she has previously worked.

Sara graduated from Duke University with a BA in Political Science. She has been active in Human Resources since 1978, initially as a practitioner and subsequently as a search professional. Sara formed her independent practice, Kent McWilliams Inc., in 2002. Prior to that she was a Managing Partner of Abbott Smith Worldwide, a leading executive recruiting and HR consulting firm incorporated in 1966. Before joining the search profession in 1991, Sara created Human Resources Departments for two very different companies: an EPA-certified environmental testing laboratory and an international fine art foundry group.

Her professional affiliations include ASTD, SHRM and ISPI. Sara serves on the Marist College School of Management Advisory Board.

Sara will talk about Duke basketball with anyone at any time. If you call during a game you may get her voicemail – leave a message, and she'll be sure to call you back at the next time out.

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