DANIEL OKAFOR

Lead business analyst with 14 years across financial services, supply chain, and enterprise tech. Build and run BA practices, set requirements standards, and lead the discovery work on programs that touch multiple business units.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

MBA
University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Wisconsin, March 2013

B.S. Industrial Engineering
Purdue University, August 2010

IIBA
CBAP, October 2017

KEY SKILLS

- BA practice leadership
- Program-level requirements
- Stakeholder facilitation at exec level
- Agile and waterfall delivery
- BPMN process design
- Vendor and PMO partnership
- Coaching and mentoring
- Benefits realization tracking
- SQL
- Tableau

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LEAD BUSINESS ANALYST | LAKESIDE CAPITAL GROUP, MINNEAPOLIS, MN
NOVEMBER 2020 – PRESENT

- Lead a team of 8 business analysts supporting wealth, lending, and treasury technology programs
- Defined the BA operating model now used across 4 portfolios, including templates, intake, and a tiered estimation approach
- Anchored requirements for the $27M core banking modernization, partnering with the program director and vendor PMO
- Cut requirements rework by roughly a third by introducing peer reviews and a shared definition of ready
- Sit on the change advisory board and represent BA voice in release go/no-go decisions

PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ANALYST | BRIARWOOD MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS , MILWAUKEE, WI
MARCH 2013 – JUNE 2020

- Led discovery for the global S&OP redesign across 11 plants and 3 regions
- Built the requirements playbook adopted by 22 analysts and contractors
- Owned the business case and benefits tracking for an ERP module replacement reaching 1,800 users
- Facilitated executive workshops with COO, supply chain VP, and plant GMs to align on a single demand planning process
- Mentored 5 analysts who moved into senior or lead roles during my tenure

SENIOR BUSINESS ANALYST | HERON BAY FINANCIAL PARTNERS, MILWAUKEE, WI
JUNE 2013 – FEBRUARY 2016

- Owned requirements for the wealth advisor platform rebuild used by 600+ advisors
- Designed the UAT framework still in use 5 years later, per the current program lead
- Wrote BRDs and process maps for 7 major releases across CRM and portfolio reporting
- Coached 2 mid-level analysts on stakeholder facilitation

BUSINESS ANALYST | HARBORFIELD CONSULTING PARTNERS, CHICAGO, IL
AUGUST 2010 – FEBRUARY 2013

- Delivered requirements work on 14 client engagements across banking and insurance
- Built process models and current-state assessments as the basis for client transformation roadmaps
- Promoted from analyst to senior consultant in 28 months