# Pam Lefkowitz | IT Leader

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# Leading, Orchestrating, and Implementing Robust Strategies to Succeed in IT Operations, Project Management, and Customer Success

A forward-thinking, results-driven, and customer-focused strategic leader with 15+ years of experience and demonstrated success in overseeing all aspects of managed services to deliver high-quality products and services for achieving client satisfaction, growth, and retention. Possesses specialized expertise in leading high-performing technical teams in delivering white glove services to diverse client base. An engaging and collaborative leader with a strong understanding of IT delivery. Proven capabilities in leveraging customer insights to influence priorities and help businesses reach their goals.

A transformational leader with extensive experience in leading, training, and developing teams to achieve and exceed predefined performance targets. Highly skilled in delivering multiple, high-priority technology projects within stringent time, quality, and budget constraints. Proficient in fostering a collaborative and results-oriented culture within the teams; able to set performance goals, conduct regular performance evaluations, and provide professional development opportunities.

#### AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Strategic Planning & Leadership | Partnership Development | Program Management | Customer Satisfaction | Customer Success Strategies | IT Implementations and Support | Project Management | Budgeting & Forecasting | Team Building & Leadership | Staff Training & Development | Coaching & Mentoring | Resource Optimization Performance Management | Relationship Building | Cross-Functional Collaboration

#### CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Strategic IT Planning & Implementation: Successfully developed and managed a critical project for a
  three-office law firm; tasked with a platform transition. Assembled and managed a diverse team of
  experts from across the country for data migration, employee training, and significant business
  transformation.
  - Achieved substantial improvements through the project, including enhanced data security, reduced downtime, risk/crisis management, and smooth email transition, resulting in a more efficient IT infrastructure
  - Reduced the client's IT workload and costs, ultimately eliminating the need for an entire IT role while delivering to 30 users, on time, and within budget
- Stakeholder Management and Business Alignment: Served as a trusted technology partner to a Fortune 1000 manufacturing company for the entire lifecycle of Core Computing.
  - Facilitated numerous transitions in the client's computer systems over the years to integrate with their internal IT department and successfully migrate them to cloud operations
  - Navigated the client through a pivotal shift to remote work for all Marketing Department employees during the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic
  - Built trusting relationship with the internal IT department, which enabled a smooth transition to cloud operations
- Process Improvement & Cost Optimization: Transformed the technology landscape for an ad agency client, optimizing their systems for enhanced speed and efficiency.
  - Conducted a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis, which revealed significant cost savings and the potential to reduce staff by approximately \$80k

- Retained the client, managing all aspects of their technology, resulting in substantial improvements in operational speed and cost-effectiveness

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## **IT Columnist | Content Writer | Consultant**

JumpCloud & Business Advisory

2021 - present

- Led technology and business consulting projects for small to mid-sized businesses
- Operationalized customer's business processes to provide value to stakeholders
- Led the creation of a top-ranking online community blog, generating 95% of content for the launch of the IT Admins Community, and fostering a vibrant digital space
- Innovated and developed seven strategic tools for IT Admins and MSP clients
- Facilitated synergy in a diverse, multi-generational team
- Contributed to cross-functional initiatives, including Generative AI Ideathon and social media

# Chief Technology & Operations Officer | Director | IT Leader

Core Computing Technologies, Inc.

2005 - 2021

- Orchestrated a strategic business pivot to a Managed Services Provider (MSP) model, leading to 50% revenue increase
- Established effective communication and customer success methodologies, resulting in 80%+ customer retention rate and 95 NPS over the company's lifetime
- Served as primary liaison between IT teams, vendors, and customer stakeholders
- Led strategic IT programs for multiple clients, including successful simultaneous migrations to cloud-based operations during COVID-19 pandemic
- Created and maintained business case documentation, scope documentation, and process flows for client projects
- Shaped IT requirements through various techniques including interviews, site visits, and workshops
- Fostered a collaborative team environment, providing mentorship to employees and colleagues
- Addressed vendor and client concerns promptly, demonstrating the value of IT services

### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

#### CERTIFICATIONS

Project Management Professional (PMP), 2024 ITIL 4, 2024 Agile Product Owner/Project Manager, 2023 Six Sigma Green Belt 2023 Scrum Master, 2024

### ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Speaking Engagements: Working with DEI Issues | Goal Setting | ITIL Foundations

Award: The Channel Company - CRN Most Powerful Women of the Channel

Campaign Management: Provided pro bono campaign management services to local political campaigns -

- Recruited volunteers
- Managed fundraising events
- Created social media, SMS, and physical mailer communications strategy
- Drove a GOTV strategy that increased voter turnout by 66% to its highest historical level for the area
- Achieved a 100% success rate, winning 11 of 11 candidates' offices