

TRISTAN WHITE

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Professional Summary

Senior Construction Manager/Project Manager with **8+ years of hands-on leadership delivering complex renovations, ground-up builds, and multi-site projects on time and on budget.** Proven ability to **coordinate internal teams** (operations, real estate, finance) and **external stakeholders** (architects, general contractors, landlords, city officials) while maintaining **strict prototype standards.** Excels at cost control, change-order mitigations, value engineering, and **delivering Certificates of Occupancy on aggressive schedules.** Experienced with travel, **remote project oversight, and international business.**

Work Experience

Senior Construction Manager & Franchise Owner

Fast Casual Restaurant - Multi-Franchise

November 2021 - November 2022, Tempe, AZ

- Directed full studs-out renovation of a corporate prototype restaurant, delivering the project in 83 days while coordinating 12+ subcontractors, architects, city officials, and landlord representatives to secure Certificate of Occupancy and Health Department approval.
- Managed all change orders, contractor, and vendor negotiations, implementing strict cost controls that kept the \$1.1M project on budget while reducing material waste by 18% through Lean techniques and value engineering.
- Built and maintained strong cross-functional relationships with store operations, design team, and external partners to resolve field issues in real time and ensure the final build met exact corporate specifications.
- Conducted post-project analysis identifying improvement opportunities, resulting in refined processes for future openings.
- Created detailed punch lists and coordinated final walkthroughs with contractors, landlords, and city officials to ensure timely completion and delivery of a turnkey location to Operations team.

Senior Project Manager & Owner Operator

Premier Lifestyle Group – Real Estate Investments

April 2016 - August 2021, Queen Creek, AZ

- Led 22 multi-site renovations and development projects across the southwest, managing full project lifecycles with frequent travel, tight schedules, and budget accountability with focus on meticulous punch list completion for final closeout.
- Completed 25+ residential/commercial renovations, consistently applying value engineering and aggressive vendor negotiations that increased profit margins by 8%.
- Instituted formal post-project debriefs and continuous improvement processes that delivered 12%+ cost savings, faster turnaround times, and higher-quality outcomes on subsequent projects.
- Developed procurement, change management, and scheduling systems that improved team efficiency by 17% and enhanced cross-department alignment.

Senior Project Manager & Owner Operator

Arizona Premier Backyard – Commercial and Residential Hardscaping

October 2020 - November 2021, Queen Creek, AZ

- Managed simultaneous projects across multiple sites, optimizing subcontractor scheduling and vendor coordination that increased installation efficiency by 38%.
- Built and led 10-person field team while implementing communication protocols and Procore workflows, achieving 100% team retention and delivering \$496K in first-year revenue at 39.2% margin.
- Implemented the use of Procore to cut schedule overruns by 23% and a 25% improvement in project management efficiency.
- Led three teams of Spanish-speaking installers by implementing technology solutions to overcome language barriers, resulting in efficient operations and successful project execution.

Senior Remodel Team Member & Home Theater

Best Buy

May 2004 – May 2009, California

- Coordinated and performed full-store remodels, including demolition, layout reconfiguration, fixture installation, electrical and lighting upgrades, signage deployment, and final merchandising setups while maintaining strict adherence to corporate blueprints and timelines.

- Adapted quickly to shifting project scopes, resolved on-the-ground challenges, and maintained **high-quality standards across multiple simultaneous store locations in the region.**
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams of 10–25 technicians, vendors, and store management to complete projects on schedule, often **finishing ahead of aggressive deadlines with zero safety incidents often while store was occupied.**

Global Business Development Intern - Remote

Coral Communication

March 2025 - May 2025, Johannesburg, South Africa

- Expanded the company's partner network in North America by collaborating with high-impact businesses expanding globally, driving **high-value client meetings with executives across America.**
- **Prepared and presented presentations** for prospective international partners, **collaborating with cross-functional teams** to align messaging with evolving market opportunities and trends.

Entrepreneurial Transportation Executive - Independent Contractor

Self-Employed

January 2019 - Present, Tampa, FL / Phoenix, AZ

- Managed end-to-end P&L Metrics including revenue optimization, expense control, and tracking (through actionable reporting), tax compliance, and profit maximization, consistently generating 22% above industry average net margins through pricing awareness and cost discipline.
- Reduce average delivery times by 14% by optimizing real-time logistics and resource allocation using advanced GPS, demand-forecasting algorithms, and traffic analytics.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Global Management (business focused)

Arizona State University - Thunderbird School of Global Management • Phoenix, AZ • 2025 • **3.76 GPA**

- **Magna Cum Laude**
- **Completed full degree in 2 years**

CERTIFICATIONS

- **Osha 30 – 360training.com**
- **Lean Six Sigma Green Belt – Aveta Business Institute**
- **Procore Certified: Superintendent – Procore Technologies**
- **Procore Certified: Engineer – Procore Technologies**
- **Foundations of Project Management – Coursera**
- **Project Initiation: Starting a Successful Project – Coursera**
- **Project Planning: Putting it All Together – Coursera**
- **Project Execution: Running the Project – Coursera**
- **Agile Project Management – Coursera**

SKILLS

- Leadership & Stakeholder Management – Team leadership, contractor & vendor negotiation/management
- Advanced Verbal & Written Communication – Executive-level presentations, negotiations, stakeholder reporting
- Construction Document & Site Plan Review – Blueprints, specifications, contracts, and change orders
- Building Development & Engineering – Site development, prototype compliance, value engineering, quality control
- Project Scheduling & Time Management – Multi-project oversight, critical path scheduling, milestone tracking
- Cost Control & Financial Management – Budget management, change order negotiation, cost estimating, procurement
- Regulatory & Permitting – City officials coordination, permitting, Certificate of Occupancy, code compliance, inspections
- Software & Tools – Procore certified (2 levels), Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), scheduling software

Additional Qualifications

- Live in close proximity to a major international airport.
- Prepared to travel as needed when needed domestically and internationally (active passport).
- Experienced working with end-to-end construction and franchisee operations.