

## CHARLES EDWARD STOVER

#### **PROFILE**

- Founder and Principal of STRATA Contactors
- Conceived and brought to life a full-service, general contracting and construction company
- Signatory with 7 trades unions and operating throughout the Midwest
- Since 2002, STRATA and its affiliate companies have successfully completed over 20,000 construction projects throughout the continental United States

#### EDUCATION

#### **Purdue University**

West Lafayette, IN, USA (1981-1986) Pre-Law (Psychology/Philosophy)

#### **Union Tradesman**

Cement Masons Union (1985-2022)

#### INTERESTS

Travel
Motorcycling
Hunting
Outdoors
Philanthropy

#### OVERVIEW

As the managing partner of STRATA, Ed has overseen incorporation of four additional vertical companies, including STRATA Industrial Group, STRATA Facilities Management, STRATA Construction Management, and STRATA Vet – highlighting our commitment to veteran services.

Ed started working summers in concrete construction during college to help pay for his education. He ended up loving the "hands on" experience. This set the momentum for building successful construction companies in the years to follow.

At the age of 35, Ed started and ran his first full union, commercial construction company, based in Chicago, IL, Schaefer-Zeiss Contractors/Consultants eventually evolved into STRATA Contractors. In 2018, STRATA sold a position to several partners including Tom Scott, the founder of CA Ventures, a global investment and development firm currently valued at just under \$10 billion dollars.

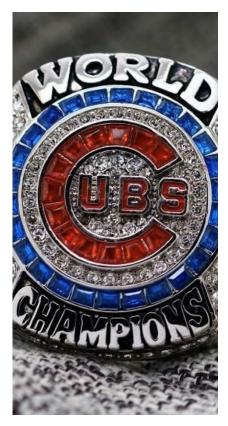
As the construction service business grew, individually and with partners, Ed has started three Real Estate Holding companies which focus on long and short hold residential and commercial rental properties.

### PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Managing Partner of the STRATA Group of construction service companies.
- Oversight of privately held commercial and residential holding companies.
- Managing Partner of STRATA Vet and CA GUA. Tasked with assembling the finest team of professionals to successfully carry out the group's Central American operations.

### PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS





During his tenure at the helm of STRATA Contractors, the company has completed many high profile projects and established long term associations with world class clients. Included are a 29 year relationship with the Chicago Cubs and Wrigley Field. For twenty years, Ed served as the in house General Contractor with major projects including historic infield and outfield wall renovations, bleacher additions, family section addition, all in house maintenance, and finally played a major role in the 1060 project – the complete renovation of the ballpark valued at \$700 million dollars.

When the Cubs won the World Series in 2016, Ed was invited to ride in the Celebration Parade and bestowed a coveted World Series Ring.

In 2015, Ed began his association with the Chicago Bears and Soldier Field. His first job there was providing structural iron work for the expansion of the digital scoreboards. This led to STRATA providing full time on site construction services for the past 7 years. Ed is currently in discussions regarding the proposed future Bears stadium in Arlington Heights.

#### PERSONAL INTERESTS



A love of architecture and historic buildings has led Ed to acquire and renovate several National Historic Registry buildings. Gallagher Island is a residential property on the Canadian/United States border in Minnesota. Friends and family gather here to enjoy the beauty of the wilderness.

Two additional Swiss Chalet style houses (1945) are currently in progress and are 90% renovated.

101 E Main in Griffith, IN is a 1921 Federal style masonry state structure that began its life as a state bank. Extensive renovations to the building were completed in 2019, with Ed and his wife now running a successful event and catering business on the premises.

In addition to renovating historic buildings, Ed is an avid traveler, motorcyclist, and outdoorsman. However, his greatest pleasure in life is being a husband and a father of six.

#### REFERENCES

**Carl Rice** – Former Director of Stadium Operations at Wrigley Field for the Chicago Cubs (2010-2019), Director of 1060 Project (2014-2019)

**Moira O'Connor** – Former Director of Stadium Operations at Soldier Field for SMG (Stadium Management Group)

**Mark DeMarsh** – Director of Construction at Arlington Racetrack, Director of Construction at Soldier Field for the Chicago Bears

**Bill Vail** – Former Treasurer for the USA Olympic Committee, Former VP at US Equities, Former VP at CA Ventures, two time Olympic Gold medalist, World Champion Freestyle Wrestler

**Tom Scott** – Former CFO of US Equities, Founder of CA Ventures, Partner of STRATA Contractors

#### RECENT PROJECTS













# Wrigley Field (Chicago Cubs)

All phases of \$700 million dollar renovation
Outfield Bleachers Replacement
Press Box Expansion
Executive Office Elevator
Over 10,000 Individual Projects successfully completed

25+ Year Client



Presidents Plaza

8600 & 8700 W Bryn Mawr Chicago, IL 60631

Concrete and Masonry Repairs 25+ Year Client



#### Two North Riverside

Two North Riverside Plaza Chicago, IL 60606

Elevated Deck Replacement and Repairs 20+ Year Client



#### Edward Jones Dome

St. Louis, MO

Update project

This project took place during the football season and required careful scheduling to insure no downtime on game days.



NBC Tower

455 N. Cityfront Plaza Drive Chicago IL 60611

Plaza Replacement and Repair



Aon Center

200 E Randolph St Chicago IL 60601

Structural Steel Replacement and Repairs



#### One Lincoln Centre

One Lincoln Centre Oakbrook Terrace IL

Structural Repairs 10+ Year Client



#### Pointe O'Hare

9550 W Higgins Rd Rosemont IL

Parking Repair Projects 10+ Year Client



#### University of Chicago

Multiple Residential Addresses Chicago IL

Multiple Work Orders – GC services Concrete & Masonry Repairs 5+ Year Client



Soldier Field

1410 S Museum Campus Drive Chicago IL 60605

Structural Steel Reinforcement -Scoreboard Project / Multiple buildouts and repairs