

EDUCATION

Accounting and Information Systems University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

MBA Hamline University

EXPERIENCE

Director, Enterprise Transformation Northern Tool + Equipment

Management Consultant Pioneer Management Consulting

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Enterprise Risk & Controls Program Manager

Jamf

Risk and Control Consultant Optum

Experienced Associate PwC

STRENGTHS

Business Acumen Change Management Cross-Functional Leadership Project Management Strategic Leadership



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Christian is a strategic leader with 10+ years driving growth, execution, and change across complex environments including Retail, SaaS, Manufacturing, Healthcare, and Media. As Managing Director at Growth Operators, he partners closely with privately and publicly held mid-market and PE-backed clients, translating ambitious strategies into actionable plans that optimize operations, profitability, and efficiency, while leading complex initiatives like IPO readiness, integrations, divestitures, and retail channel expansions.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Strategy Development

Develops actionable growth strategies, including retail expansion and new market entries, tailored to client objectives.

Strategy Execution

Leads the successful implementation of strategic initiatives, the development of new business channels, and the optimization of incentive structures.

Program Management

Expertly manages complex, cross-functional initiatives including IPO readiness, integrations, and operational restructuring.

Financial Modeling

Builds rigorous financial models that clarify profitability impacts and enable informed decision-making on cost optimization projects.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Retail SaaS Manufacturing Construction Healthcare Media Financial Services